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DEDICATED TO MY BELOVED GRANDCHILDREN.

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"I love them that love Me; and those that seek Me early shall find Me."—PROVERBS viii. 17.

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."—MARK x. 14.



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PREFACE.

IN the following pages, which were merely intended for my dear grandchildren, my aim has been to convey, in as simple and concise a manner as possible, the great truths of the Creation, Fall, and Redemption, in a conversation between Mother and Child, with verses (or, more properly speaking, rhymes) interspersed, bearing on the subject discussed.

I am fully aware how far I have come short in my attempt, but if my effort shall help any dear young one in seeing the only safe foundation to build on for salvation, and that in a time when many errors are rife on that all-important subject, I shall consider myself richly rewarded for yielding to the earnest wish of my friends to have my little book published.

B. LEITH.

FOLKESTONE, *March*, 1869.

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CONVERSATIONS ON GREAT TRUTHS.

CHAPTER I.—CREATION.

CHILD.—You told us, dear mamma, that the great God that made us made the world and everything that is in it. Now, we saw some men to-day very busy building a large, beautiful church, and the wood they were putting on the top of it, which the nurse told us was the spire, was so high that it seemed to us as if it reached the very sky. Will it not be, when finished, a great work, and it will have been made by man?

MOTHER.—Yes, my dear, clever men can do many great works, but they can do no work great or small without using things that were at first made by God. The stones with which they were building the walls were formed by God, and the wood they were using was made by Him to grow out of a small

seed, first into a shrub, which in time grew into a tree, and when it was old and strong enough for use, it was cut down and prepared by men for whatever purpose it was intended. And men, however clever they may be, must study and make many trials before they can make any work perfect ; but God can at *once* make anything *He* wishes as well as it can be made, by ordering it to be, and out of nothing, which is called creating, which none but He can do. The cleverest man that ever lived cannot so much as make, or create, one blade of grass. We never should have known how great and good God is, unless He had made good men to write all about Him and His great works in a Book which is the best of all books, and called the Holy Bible. You must read it, and there you will find that this wonderful world in which we live was once all darkness, without form and void, that is, having nothing in it, till the great God made use of His mighty power, and said, "Let