A Child's Deformity Is Healed

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Take another illustration. There was an M. E. minister up in Dakota who had a child that was improperly formed. There was some defect in her backbone so that the little child was bent together and the abdomen protruded, causing constant pain, and the child could not sleep. The parents brought the child to Minneapolis to see what specialists could do, but the specialists told them that there was no hope for the child, that they might put her in a plaster-cast so that she might live, deformed, not longer than two or three years. Though the parents were Methodists they were so desirous for the health of their child that they tried "Christian Science," but found no help in that system of error. Then the minister said to his wife, "Let us take her to brother Torrey." They brought her over to my house, a little child of about two years of age, terribly misshapen and greatly suffering. I took the child in my arms and prayed for her. God gave the necessary faith and the child was healed. Relief came immediately. That night she slept normally for the first time, even the defective part of her body was made right. Something like eighteen years later I was holding meetings in Petoskey, Mich. In one of the afternoon meetings a Methodist minister from one of the neighboring towns came in. He got up in the meeting and told this story, saying he was the father of that daughter and that she was completely healed and a candidate for the foreign mission field. She herself came in a few days later, a beautiful, perfectly formed young woman. She was in our Auditorium in Los Angeles at our Sunday morning services a few weeks ago.

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