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EXTRACTS FROM VARIOUS SOURCES,

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Men's books ofttime with chaff are stored ;
God's Scriptures *golden grains* afford :
Reject the chaff, and spend thy pains,
In gathering up the *golden grains*.

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DEAR FELLOW-BELIEVER,—Again, as time has winged us onward to the advent of another year, I would greet you in the Master's name, and wish you His richest blessing throughout its untrodden course.

I would suggest as a practical meditation for our help the words of Peter to the scattered saints of his day (1 Peter ii. 21): *Follow His steps.*

1st. *In obedience.* As the perfect servant of Jehovah He could ever say, "I do always those things that please Him." He came into the world for the express purpose of doing His will, and from first to last He was about His "Father's business?" He has left us here for this same object, and bids us tread in His footsteps, and follow in the path that He has marked out; for Him that path became more narrow as He went onward until at last it led up to the cross. So will it be for His people in proportion as they follow Him, but let us remember that as for the Master so for the servants—the crown will soon be given to those who have borne the cross.

2nd. *In humility.* Although the Son of God, yet He could say, "Learn of Me, for *I am meek and lowly in heart.*" His whole life on earth was one constant display of meekness and gentleness, and well will it be for us to seek to copy Him in this. What an end there would be to the pride and vain-glory that is alas so prominent even among God's people.

3rd. *In Prayer.* He was ever the dependent One, waiting continually on the Father. How often is it recorded of Him that He continued all night in prayer to God. What an example for us. Prayer reaches up to the throne of God, and brings down from on high

the needed supplies for all the exigencies of the way. Prayer is the link of connection between omnipotence and weakness, and through it the weak can say, "I am strong." 4th. *In diligence.* "I must work the works of Him that sent Me while it is day" was the utterance of our Divine Exemplar, and surely we who are fast nearing the end of our opportunities should display the same energy in doing our Master's work in whatever sphere He has placed us. The time is short, and the King's business requireth haste, and whatsoever our hands find to do in His service should be done with diligence. 5th. *In faithfulness.* Of Jesus it is said that He was faithful to Him that appointed Him. So may we be found in a day when truth is trodden down, and when loyalty to God is being sacrificed to the so-called "larger hope" of this enlightened age. Let us hold fast to His word with a firm tenacity, and maintain His truth to the end in the face of all the attacks of the foe who is advancing to the final battle between light and darkness. Let us seek to so walk and do His will that at the end of our course we may hear Him say, "Well done, good and *faithful* servant, enter thou into the joy of the Lord." 6th. *In hope.* For the joy set before Him, our Lord endured the cross and despised the shame, and now He is *expecting* until His enemies are made His footstool. He waits for the time when He shall receive the kingdom at the hands of the Father, and we are called to wait also and to look for His appearing. Thus should we follow His steps in the expectation of His coming glory, when He shall fully receive the result of all His toils and suffering, and reign as King of kings, and Lord of lords.

J. E. H.

JANUARY—31 Days.

4th. First Quar. 7h 52m A.M. | 17th. Last Quar. 10h 55m P.M.
 11th. Full Moon 6h 50m A.M. | 25th. New Moon 9h 26m P.M.

THE GOD OF LOVE AND PEACE.

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| 1 | Tu | The God of love and peace shall be with you. 2 Cor. 13.11. |
| 2 | W | God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten |
| 3 | Th | I have loved you, saith the Lord. Mal. 1. 2. [Son. |
| 4 | F | Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful. |
| 5 | S | Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved |
| 6 | S | For the Father Himself loveth you. John 16. 27. [us. |
| 7 | M | In His love and in His pity He redeemed them. Is. 63. 9. |
| 8 | Tu | The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet. |
| 9 | W | I have loved thee with an everlasting love. Jer. 31. 3. |
| 10 | Th | Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you. |
| 11 | F | Who is a God like unto Thee that pardoneth iniquity. |
| 12 | S | Made peace by the blood of His cross. Col. 1. 20. |
| 13 | S | I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness. |
| 14 | M | Having loved His own...He loved them unto the end. |
| 15 | Tu | The Lord will bless His people with peace. Ps. 29. 11. |
| 16 | W | He, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity. |
| 17 | Th | He will speak peace to His saints. Ps. 85. 8. |
| 18 | F | God is able to make all grace abound towards you. |
| 19 | S | The Lord direct your hearts into the love of God. |
| 20 | S | The God of peace shall be with you. Phil. 4. 9. |
| 21 | M | He that loveth not knoweth not God ; for God is love. |
| 22 | Tu | Thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit. |
| 23 | W | How excellent is Thy lovingkindness, O God. [Judel(rv). |
| 24 | Th | Beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ. |
| 25 | F | The Lord of peace Himself give you peace always. [time. |
| 26 | S | The Lord will command His lovingkindness in the day- |
| 27 | S | The Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for |
| 28 | M | God sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. [me. |
| 29 | Tu | His banner over me was love. Cant. 2. 4. |
| 30 | W | To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses. |
| 31 | Th | The Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. |

A PROMISE FOR THE NEW YEAR.

"The LORD, He it is that doth go before thee: He will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed."—DEUT. xxxi. 8.

FEARLESSLY we enter on another year,
Knowing that our Saviour will be ever near—
Near to bless and comfort, near in joy or woe,
Near to give the vict'ry over ev'ry foe.

Brighter than the sunshine from a cloudless sky,
Shewing up the dangers which around us lie,
Is the light He sheddeth on our Homeward way,
Shining yet more clearly unto perfect day.

Following Him "*wholly*" though the path be drear,
Nought we'll know of darkness, nought our souls need fear;
Difficulties vanish, crooked things grow straight,
Joy in Christ increases, sorrows lose their weight.

We will then press onward with a purpose true,
Cleaving to our Saviour, praising Him anew:
He hath led on softly, guarding us from ill,
Hitherto hath helped us—He will help us still.

While we cry, "Come quickly!" let us haste the day
Of His blest appearing, and His word obey;
Go and teach all nations—joyfully proclaim
Life and peace and pardon through the Saviour's name.

EDITH B. SCHOFIELD.

FEBRUARY—28 Days.

3rd. First Quar. 0h 16m A.M. | 16th. Last Quar. 1h 9m P.M.
 9th. Full Moon 5h 23m P.M. | 24th. New Moon 4h 44m P.M.

THE GOD OF COMFORT AND CONSOLATION.

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| 1 | F | The God of all comfort; who comforteth us. 2 Cor. 1. 3. |
| 2 | S | I, even I, am He that comforteth you. Isa. 51. 12. |
| 3 | S | When He giveth quietness, who...can make trouble? |
| 4 | M | The Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow. Isa. 14. 3. |
| 5 | Tu | When I sit in darkness the Lord shall be a light unto me. |
| 6 | W | He maketh the storm a calm. Ps. 107. 29. |
| 7 | Th | He stayeth His rough wind in the day of the east wind. |
| 8 | F | He is good: because His mercy endureth for ever. |
| 9 | S | He healeth the broken in heart. Ps. 147. 3. [ever. |
| 10 | S | God is the strength of my heart and my portion for |
| 11 | M | As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort |
| 12 | Tu | The Lord also will be a refuge in times of trouble. [you. |
| 13 | W | I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them. |
| 14 | Th | Comfort ye, comfort ye, My people, saith your God. |
| 15 | F | He hath sent Me to bind up the broken-hearted. Isa. 61. 1. |
| 16 | S | The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble. |
| 17 | S | He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy |
| 18 | M | Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Ps. 23. 4. [cry. |
| 19 | Tu | Though I walk in the midst of trouble Thou wilt revive |
| 20 | W | He bare them and carried them all the days of old. [me |
| 21 | Th | In the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion. |
| 22 | F | Who hath given us everlasting consolation. 2 Thess. 2. 16. |
| 23 | S | Let Thy merciful kindness be for my comfort. Ps. 119. 76. |
| 24 | S | Thou shalt increase my greatness and comfort me. |
| 25 | M | I will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their |
| 26 | Tu | I will allure her, and speak comfortably to her. [sorrow. |
| 27 | W | Thou, Lord, has holpen me, and comforted me. Ps. 86. 17. |
| 28 | Th | The Lord hath comforted His people, and will have
mercy on His afflicted. Isa. 49. 13. |

VICTORY—A WATCHWORD.

1 COR. xv. 57.

VICTORY, our watchword for the coming year !
Write it on the banner that aloft we bear ;
Keep it in the forefront, as we charge the foe,
Victory through Jesus, comrades, we shall know.

Victory, when before us gleams an earthly prize,
See the crown immortal, yonder in the skies ;
Though the heart may falter, and the eye be dim,
"Looking unto Jesus," faithful be to Him.

Victory for Jesus, all along the line ;
When the night is darkest, shall this watchword shine ;
Victory for Jesus, till the rising sun
Floods the field with glory, and the day is won.

In the thick of battle, fierce assaults of sin,
Wave on high our banner, and the victory win.
All the snares of Satan then can never harm,
Nor the world beguile us with its fairest charm.

Victory over sorrow, pain, and gloomy fear.
Seems the day against us ? Still our Captain's near.
Through the power of Jesus we shall conqu'rors be :
Shout aloud, ye soldiers, songs of victory !

Christ, our glorious Leader, 't is thy mighty love
That alone can make us "*more* than conqu'rors" prove.
Through thy Blood the victors in the past o'ercame,
Victory still our watchword, Jesus, through thy name.

J. H. S.

MARCH—31 Days.

4th. First Quar. 0h 40m P.M. | 18th. Last Quar. 5h 32m A.M.
 11th. Full Moon 3h 38m A.M. | 26th. New Moon 10h 25m A.M.

THE FULNESS OF GOD FOR US.

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| 1 | F | Of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. |
| 2 | S | Filled with all the fulness of God. Eph. 3. 19. [dwell. |
| 3 | S | It pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness |
| 4 | M | In everything ye are enriched by Him. 1 Cor. 1. 5. |
| 5 | Tu | Thou openest thy hand, they are filled with good. |
| 6 | W | Redemption...according to the riches of His grace. |
| 7 | Th | In Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. |
| 8 | F | The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance. [Col. 2. 9. |
| 9 | S | We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Thy house. |
| 10 | S | Enriched in every thing to all bountifulness. 2 Cor. |
| 11 | M | Thou...made me full of joy with Thy countenance. [9.11. |
| 12 | Tu | The living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy. |
| 13 | W | They delighted themselves in Thy great goodness. |
| 14 | Th | Perfect through My comeliness saith the Lord. Ez.16.14. |
| 15 | F | The glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them. |
| 16 | S | Blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. |
| 17 | S | Ye are complete in Him. Col. 2. 10. |
| 18 | M | God, who hath called you unto His kingdom and glory. |
| 19 | Tu | If a son then an heir of God through Christ. Gal. 4. 7. |
| 20 | W | A partaker of the glory that shall be revealed. 1Pet.5.1. |
| 21 | Th | How shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? |
| 22 | F | His divine power hath given unto us all things. 2Pet.1.3. |
| 23 | S | God shall supply all your need according to His riches. |
| 24 | S | The Lord is able to give thee much more than this. 2 |
| 25 | M | The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. [Ch 25.9. |
| 26 | Tu | God is able to make all grace abound toward you. |
| 27 | W | It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. |
| 28 | Th | In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and know- |
| 29 | F | Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom. [ledge. |
| 30 | S | The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. |
| 31 | S | For of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things. |

BLESSING OF THE BELIEVER.

THE CONSCIENCE of the believer once purged by the blood of Jesus, is cleansed, perfected for ever, and eternally fit for the holy presence of God (Heb. ix. x.)

The SINS of the believer once remitted because of the Blood of Jesus will never again be judicially remembered. Is not this the testimony of Heb. x. 17?

The PERFECTION of the believer for God and for eternity is founded on the one offering of Christ; and is therefore according to His perfection (Heb. x. 14).

The ACCEPTANCE of the believer is measured by God's delight in Christ and His appreciation of His finished work. Christ on the Cross, forsaken of God, measured my place of *distance* as a sinner, while Christ glorified on high is the wondrous expression of my place of *nearness* as a Saint.

The JUSTIFICATION of the believer, as founded on the Blood of Christ and declared in His resurrection, is absolutely perfect, for there is *now* no condemnation (Rom. viii. 1.) How, then, can there be in the glory?

The RIGHTEOUSNESS of the believer being Christ glorified as Man on high (1 Cor. i. 30), we, in virtue of Him, possess an abiding and positive place and standing in the glory of God.

The LIFE of the believer is a justified life (Rom. v. 18), and hence no charge of sin or condemnation can ever be brought against it. Its character is Christ (Col. iii. 4), and its duration eternal (2 Tim. i. 1, 9, 10).

The STANDING of the believer being according to God's declared acceptance of the work and person of His beloved Son is necessarily complete and perfect.

The HOPE of the believer is not glory or heaven, but to be *with* Christ (John xiv. 3), and *like* Christ (1 John iii. 2).

The OBJECT of the believer is Christ glorified on high. The conscious enjoyment of Christ in the place where *He is* constitutes the true energy of Christian life and service (Phil. iii.)

The PATH of the believer is the path trod by the humbled Son of Man (Phil. ii.)—the path of lowliness and of gracious consideration for others.

The SERVICE of the believer should always have definiteness about it, and a savour of Christ about it. Prayer should always precede work (Acts. vi. 4), and communion ever accompany it.

The WORSHIP of the believer is an abomination to the Lord if Christ is not its material, His work its ground, God and the Lamb the object, and the Holy Ghost its only and efficient power.

APRIL—30 Days.

and. First Quar. 9h 28m P.M. | 16th. Last Quar. 11h 22m P.M.
 9th. Full Moon 1h 43m P.M. | 25th. New Moon 1h 11m A.M.

ON THE WATCHTOWER.

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| 1 | M | I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower. |
| 2 | Tu | And will watch to see what He will say unto me. Hab. 2. |
| 3 | W | I stand continually upon the watchtower. Isa. 21. 8. |
| 4 | Th | Watchman, what of the night? Isa. 21. 11. |
| 5 | F | The watchman said, The morning cometh. Isa. 21. 12. |
| 6 | S | Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. |
| 7 | S | Watch...ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. |
| 8 | M | Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men. |
| 9 | Tu | Ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord. |
| 10 | W | Let us not sleep...let us watch and be sober. 1Thess.5.6. |
| 11 | Th | <i>Good Fri.</i> Watch thou in all things, endure afflictions. |
| 12 | F | Be watchful, and strengthen the things that remain. |
| 13 | S | Blessed is he that watcheth and keepeth his garments. |
| 14 | S | <i>Easter Sun.</i> Looking for that blessed hope. Titus 2. 13. |
| 15 | M | What I say unto you I say unto all, Watch. |
| 16 | Tu | Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily. |
| 17 | W | Waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. |
| 18 | Th | Be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer. 1Pet.4.7. |
| 19 | F | I will direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up. |
| 20 | S | Continue in prayer and watch...with thanksgiving. |
| 21 | S | I will wait upon the Lord... and I will look for Him. |
| 22 | M | I will wait for the God of my salvation. Micah 7. 7. |
| 23 | Tu | To them that look for Him shall He appear. Heb. 9. 28. |
| 24 | W | We made our prayer unto our God and set a watch. |
| 25 | Th | So shall ye keep the watch of the house. 2 Kings 11. 6. |
| 26 | F | Every one in his watch and every one over against his |
| 27 | S | We look for the Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ. [house. |
| 28 | S | Praying always..and watching with..perseverance. |
| 29 | M | Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower. Isa. 21. 5. |
| 30 | Tu | Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when He
cometh shall find watching. Luke 12. 37. |

"TO EVERY MAN HIS WORK."

MARK xiii. 34.

L AID it down in silence, this work of mine ;
And took what had been sent me—a resting time.
The Master's voice had called me to rest apart ;
"Apart with Jesus only," echoed my heart.

The work Himself has given He will complete.
There may be other errands for tired feet ;
There may be other duties for tired hands,
The present is obedience to His commands.

There is a blessed resting in lying still,
In letting His hand mould us just as He will.
His work must be completed, His lessons set ;
He is the Master Workman ; do not forget.

It is not only "working," we must be trained ;
And Jesus "learnt obedience" through suffering
For us His yoke is easy, His burden light, [gained.
His discipline most needful, and all is right.

We are but *under*-workmen ; they never choose
If this tool, or if that one, their hands shall use ;
In working or in waiting, may we fulfil
Not ours at all, but only the Master's will.

MAY—31 Days.

2nd. First Quar. 3h 44m A.M. | 16th. Last Quar. 5h 44m P.M.
 8th. Full Moon 11h 59m P.M. | 24th. New Moon 0h 46m P.M.
 31st. First Quar. 8h 48m A.M.

HOLDING FAST THE TRUTH.

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| 1 | W | Earnestly contend for the faith once delivered. Jude 3. |
| 2 | Th | Holding faith, and a good conscience. 1 Tim. 1. 19. |
| 3 | F | Holding fast the faithful word. Titus 1. 9. |
| 4 | S | Thou holdest fast My name, and hast not denied My faith. |
| 5 | S | Be not moved away from the hope of the gospel. Col. |
| 6 | M | Keep My words and lay up My commandments. [1. 23. |
| 7 | Tu | He that hath My word let him speak My word faithfully. |
| 8 | W | I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of |
| 9 | Th | Beware, lest any man spoil you through philosophy. [God. |
| 10 | F | After the tradition of men...and not after Christ. Col. 2. 8. |
| 11 | S | Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned. 2 |
| 12 | S | I have stuck unto thy testimonies. Ps. 119. 31. [Tim. 3. 14. |
| 13 | M | I will keep the commandments of my God. Ps. 119. 115. |
| 14 | Tu | Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine. 1 Tim. 4. 16. |
| 15 | W | Building up yourselves on your most holy faith. Jude. |
| 16 | Th | Preach the Word; be instant in season, out of season. |
| 17 | F | Keep that which is committed to thy trust. 1 Tim. 6. 20. |
| 18 | S | Hold fast the form of sound words. 2 Tim. 1. 13. [2. 15. |
| 19 | S | Hold the traditions which ye have been taught. 2 Thes. |
| 20 | M | Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. 1 Thes. 5. 21. |
| 21 | Tu | I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law. Pro. 4. 2. |
| 22 | W | That which ye have already hold fast till I come. [2. 1. |
| 23 | Th | Speak thou the things which become sound doctrine. Tit. |
| 24 | F | Be not thou ashamed of the testimony of our Lord. |
| 25 | S | Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Col. 3. 16. |
| 26 | S | In doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity |
| 27 | M | Sound speech that cannot be condemned. Titus 2. 8. |
| 28 | Tu | If ye continue in My word then are ye My disciples. |
| 29 | W | Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord. |
| 30 | Th | I made haste and delayed not to keep Thy commandments |
| 31 | F | If ye love Me keep My commandments. John 14. 15. |

The Names of GOD in the Old Testament.

HIS Name is that whereby He makes Himself known ;
His Name is a revelation of Himself.

God (Elohim), the first divine name we encounter in the Bible (Gen. i. 1), the most comprehensive, perhaps, of all. It is God who creates, who judges, delivers, and executes punishment on evildoers.

God Almighty (El Shaddai), the All-sufficient One, the infinitely Able One. It expresses a double idea, viz., God's almightiness, His power to fulfil every promise He has made His people ; and His faithfulness in performing every word He has spoken (Gen. xvii. 1, 2 ; xlviii. 3, 4 ; xlix. 25, etc.)

LORD (Jehovah), a name expressive of covenant relationship (Ex. iii. 14 ; Lev. xvi. ; Isaiah liii., etc.) The **LORD** is the self-existent and unchangeable One, who enters into covenant engagement with those who are the objects of His pity and love. Perhaps it is not too much to say that Jehovah is God entering into history in His redemptive relations with His people.

Lord (Adonai), Master, Owner (Gen. xv. 2, 8 ; Mal. iii. 1, etc.) In Ezek. xvi. 8, 14, 19, 28, 30, we find the two names Jehovah and Lord united together, and they appear to denote God as the Master and Husband of His people Israel. The attentive reader of the Bible will easily distinguish between the two names last mentioned by noting that Jehovah is always printed in small capitals, **LORD**, while the other Adonai is printed Lord.

All these great titles of God, and others, are given us in the Old Testament as revelations and manifestations of Him whom to know is eternal life ; they designate God's various relations to men. He is Creator, Sovereign, and Judge ; but He is also the Father of believers as well as all that is implied in the other titles He takes.

JUNE—30 Days.

7th. Full Moon 11h 0m A.M. | 22nd. New Moon 9h 51m P.M.
 15th. Last Quar. 11h 28m A.M. | 29th. First Quar. 2h 1m P.M.

EQUIPPED FOR SERVICE.

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| 1 | S | Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle. |
| 2 | S | <i>Whit-Sun.</i> God Himself is with us for our Captain. |
| 3 | M | Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier. |
| 4 | Tu | It is God that girdeth me with strength. Ps. 18. 32. |
| 5 | W | Put on the whole armour of God. Eph. 6. 11. |
| 6 | Th | Go in this thy might...have not I sent thee? Judg. 6.14. |
| 7 | F | I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord. Micah 3. 8. |
| 8 | S | Thou hast given me the shield of Thy salvation. |
| 9 | S | The weapons of our warfare are not carnal. |
| 10 | M | Ye shall be endued with power from on high. Lu. 24. 9. |
| 11 | Tu | He is a buckler to all those that trust in Him. 2 Sam. |
| 12 | W | Thou hast covered my head in the day of battle. [22. 31. |
| 13 | Th | God is my strength and my power. 2 Sam. 22. 33. |
| 14 | F | His truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Ps. 91. 4. |
| 15 | S | The people that do know their God shall be strong. |
| 16 | S | Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. |
| 17 | M | Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit. |
| 18 | Tu | Stand...having your loins girt about with truth. Ep. 6. |
| 19 | W | I was strengthened, as the hand of the Lord was upon me. |
| 20 | Th | In the name of our God we will set up our banner. |
| 21 | F | I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people. Ps. 3. 6. |
| 22 | S | Through God we shall do valiantly. Ps. 60. 12. [fight |
| 23 | S | Out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in |
| 24 | M | Above all, taking the shield of faith. Ep. 6. 16. [17. 45. |
| 25 | Tu | I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts. 1 Sam. |
| 26 | W | Thy servants are ready to do whatsoever...the king shall |
| 27 | Th | My God shall be my strength. Isa. 49. 5. [appoint. |
| 28 | F | With us is the Lord our God to help us. 2 Chron. 32. 8. |
| 29 | S | I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me. |
| 30 | S | We are more than conquerors through Him that
loved us. Rom. 8. 37. |

REDEEM THE TIME!

REDEEM the time, for evil days
Are those thy pilgrim eye surveys;
It is enough that uncontrolled
The sons of earth should live for gold.
Be this thy aim through all thy days,
To live for God, to walk His ways,
As mindful His all searching gaze—
Each thought, each motive can behold.
Redeem the time!

Though Christ His coming long delays,
He is at hand, thy head upraise;
Where hopes are dark, and hearts are cold,
Let love be strong in service bold;
Thus meekly win thy Master's praise,
Redeem the time!

YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY AND FOR EVER THIS SAME JESUS.

THOUGH plans be crossed and prospects pale,
Though wealth take wings and treasures fall,
Yet One unchanging still shall stay—
My Jesus is the same *to-day*.

Through all the *yesterdays* of life
He was my help 'mid storm and strife,
And so for it's *to-morrows* too
I'll trust His arm to bring me through.

M. F.

JULY—31 Days.

6th. Full Moon 11h 29m P.M. | 21st. New Moon 5h 32m A.M.
 15th. Last Quar. 3h 37m A.M. | 28th. First Quar. 8h 36m P.M.

ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS.

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| 1 | M | Ye are all one in Christ Jesus. Gal. 3. 28. |
| 2 | Tu | We being many are one body in Christ. Rom. 12. 5. |
| 3 | W | That they may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me. |
| 4 | Th | Them that believed were of one heart and one soul. |
| 5 | F | By one Spirit are we all baptized into one body. 1 Co. 12. 13. |
| 6 | S | Stand fast in one Spirit, with one mind. Phil. 1. 27. |
| 7 | SS | One Lord, one faith, one baptism. Eph. 4. 5. |
| 8 | M | Ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. |
| 9 | Tu | Members of His body, of His flesh, and of His bones. |
| 10 | W | Behold I and the children which God hath given me. |
| 11 | Th | We being many are one bread, and one body. 1 Cor. 10. 17. |
| 12 | F | Ye are called in one hope of your calling. Ep. 4. 4. |
| 13 | S | Fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of |
| 14 | SS | Heirs of God, joint-heirs with Christ. Rom. 8. 17. [God. |
| 15 | M | That they may be one, even as we are one. John 17. 22. |
| 16 | Tu | There shall be one fold and one Shepherd. John 10. 16. |
| 17 | W | Let none of you imagine evil against his brother. Zech. |
| 18 | Th | Be ye like minded...of one accord, of one mind. [7. 10. |
| 19 | F | Love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous. 1 Peter 3. 8. |
| 20 | S | One is your Master, even Christ. Matthew 23. 8. |
| 21 | SS | And all ye are brethren. Matt. 23. 8. |
| 22 | M | These all continued with one accord in prayer. Acts 1. 14. |
| 23 | Tu | Holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling. |
| 24 | W | Be ye all of one mind, having compassion. 1 Pet. 3. 8. |
| 25 | Th | The body is not one member, but many. 1 Cor. 12. 14. |
| 26 | F | The members should have the same care one for another. |
| 27 | S | Now ye are the body of Christ. 1 Cor. 12. 27. [heart. |
| 28 | SS | The multitude of them that believed were of one |
| 29 | M | Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. |
| 30 | Tu | All that believed were together. Acts 2. 44. |
| 31 | W | Partakers of His promise in Christ by the Gospel. |

THOUGHT GEMS.

ACCORDING as God alone is more and more our true portion, so is our progress in holiness.

DRAUGHTS of the water of life are just fresh views of Christ.

THE experience of the glorified as given us by glimpses in the Book of Revelation shows us that Christ has increased, so as to fill all their hearts and songs. Worthy is the Lamb. When we ask in the morning to be filled with the Spirit, may we not expect to be filled all the day long with thoughts of Christ.

THE fulness of the Spirit does not manifest itself in mere feeling; it always shows itself in some grace.

As believers seeking to be holy, attend to small duties and to the mode of your doing them. Be thorough; what your hand finds to do, do it with your might. Done under the sight of God's eye how the meanest duties shine! Attend to holiness in its minutest details.

A NAZARETH life of service is no small thing. Not by great efforts, but by watchful every-day living, holding fast Christ and His truth. Not great praying or great doing of any kind, but patient, faithful keeping His word, and holding it fast in the little things and trials and temptations of daily life, seen and marked by no eye but His. Thus Jesus "grew up before the Lord."

DR. ANDREW BONAR.

AUGUST—31 Days.

5th. Full Moon 11h 51m P.M. | 20th. New Moon 0h 56m P.M.
 13th. Last Quar. 5h 19m P.M. | 27th. First Quar. 5h 43m A.M.

ABOUNDING IN THANKSGIVING.

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| 1 | Th | Rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. 1 Pet. 1. 8. |
| 2 | F | In Thy name shall they rejoice all the day. Ps. 89. 16. |
| 3 | S | Let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually. |
| 4 | S | Giving thanks always for all things. Eph. 5. 20. |
| 5 | M | Asaph was the principal to begin the thanksgiving in |
| 6 | Tu | Offer unto God thanksgiving. Ps. 50. 14. [prayer. |
| 7 | W | O Lord, my God, I will give thanks unto Thee for ever. |
| 8 | Th | Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart. Is. 65. 14. |
| 9 | F | I will joy in the God of my salvation. Hab. 3. 19. |
| 10 | S | Songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God. Neh. 12. 46. |
| 11 | S | Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift. 2 Co. 9. 13. |
| 12 | M | With thanksgiving let your requests be made... unto God. |
| 13 | Tu | Thou shall make me full of joy with Thy countenance. |
| 14 | W | Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving. Ps. |
| 15 | Th | Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me. Ps. 50. 23. [95. 2. |
| 16 | F | Sing unto the Lord, for He hath done excellent things. [2. |
| 17 | S | Continue in prayer and watch... with thanksgiving. Col. 4. |
| 18 | S | Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord. |
| 19 | M | Accept, I beseech Thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth |
| 20 | Tu | Rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. |
| 21 | W | Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving, sing praise. |
| 22 | Tu | All that is within me bless His holy name. Ps. 103. 1. |
| 23 | F | It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord. Ps. 92. |
| 24 | S | I will sacrifice unto Thee with the voice of thanksgiving. |
| 25 | S | My mouth shall praise Thee with joyful lips. Ps. 63. 5. |
| 26 | M | Shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you. |
| 27 | Tu | Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. Ps. 100. 4. |
| 28 | W | Sing ye to the Lord for He hath triumphed gloriously. |
| 29 | Th | Ye shall have a song in the night. Isa. 30. 29. [150. 6. |
| 30 | F | Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Ps. |
| 31 | S | Thanksgiving and honour... be unto our God for ever. |

“CHOOSE THOU FOR ME.”

THY will, O Lord, not mine I pray,
For I could never choose aright ;
My future path I cannot see
With this my dim and earthly sight.

Yes, Lord, I know that I would choose
The brightest path and bluest sky ;
But then I'd never, midst the storms,
Hear Thy sweet whisper, “It is I.”

And I would ask, I know right well,
A life without one single care ;
And thus I'd lose the soothing balm
Of coming oft to Thee in prayer.

A life without one cloud to hide
The brightness of that azure sky ;
Without one heart-pang or a grief,
And ne'er one bitter helpless cry.

But Thou, O Lord, Thou knowest all,
Thou knowest what I need the best ;
I'll take with joy the pleasant things,
And Thy sweet will shall choose the rest.

M. E. M.

SEPTEMBER—30 Days.

4th. Full Moon 5h 55m A.M. | 18th. New Moon 8h 55m P.M.
12th. Last Quar. 4h 51m A.M. | 23th. First Quar. 6h 23m P.M.

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD.

- 1 **S** The word of God is quick, and powerful. Heb. 4. 12.
- 2 **M** The words that I speak unto you...they are life.
- 3 **Tu** Being born again by the word of God.
- 4 **W** Like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces.
- 5 **Th** The word of His grace which is able to build you up.
- 6 **F** Is not My word like a fire? Jer. 23. 29.
- 7 **S** Of His own will begat He us with the word of truth.
- 8 **S** Where the word of a king is there is power. Ecc.8.4.
- 9 **M** He sent His word and healed them. Ps. 107. 29.
- 10 **Tu** He cast out the spirits with His word. Matt. 8. 16.
- 11 **W** The sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
- 12 **Th** Speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
- 13 **F** The entrance of Thy words giveth light. Ps. 119. 130.
- 14 **S** His word runneth very swiftly. Ps. 147. 15. [last days.
- 15 **S** The word that I have spoken...shall judge him in the
- 16 **M** Do not My words do good to him that walketh uprightly?
- 17 **Tu** Ye are clean through the word which I have spoken.
- 18 **W** The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul.
- 19 **Th** I will make My words in thy mouth fire. Jer.5.14. [25.
- 20 **F** The word that I shall speak shall come to pass. Ezek. 12.
- 21 **S** All scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2 Tim 3. 16.
- 22 **S** And is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correc-
- 23 **M** So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed. [tion.
- 24 **Tu** The worlds were framed by the word of God. Heb.11.3.
- 25 **W** By the word of God the heavens were of old. 2Pet. 3.5.
- 26 **Th** Sanctify them through Thy truth : Thy word is truth.
- 27 **F** I esteem all Thy precepts concerning all things to be right.
- 28 **S** Thou hast magnified Thy word above all Thy name.
- 29 **S** Shewing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.
- 30 **M** Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed. Prov. 13.

“HE KNOWS.”

“He knoweth the way that I take.”—JOB xxiii. 10.



STEP by step He leadeth us
With tender, loving care ;
Well He knows the way we take,
And all we'll meet with there ;
The many tempting paths of sin,
The many lurking foes,
The thirsty desert—heated plain—
He knows—our Father knows.

He knows—our Heavenly Father knows,
Exactly when and where
The wayside cross will need the help
Of His strong arm to bear ;
He knows deep waters must be passed
Along the journey home,
When strength to wrestle with the waves
Must come from Him alone.

But He will lead His lovèd ones
When weary and oppressed,
To the “Rock ” whose grateful shadow
Invites to perfect rest.

He knows too where the pastures lie
Of tender grass and green—
O gracious Shepherd, lead Thy flock
Full oft to feed therein.

S. H.

OCTOBER—31 Days.

3rd. Full Moon 10h 47m P.M. | 18th. New Moon 6h 10m A.M.
 11th. Last Quar. 2h 34m P.M. | 25th. First Quar. 11h 4m A.M.

THE PERSON AND WORK OF THE SPIRIT.

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| 1 | Tu | He shall give you another comforter that He may abide |
| 2 | W | The Spirit of God dwelleth in you. 1Cor.3.16. [with you. |
| 3 | Th | He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your |
| 4 | F | It is the Spirit that quickeneth. Jn.6.63. [remembrance. |
| 5 | S | He shall receive of Mine, and shall shew it unto you. |
| 6 | S | He maketh intercession for...saints according to God. |
| 7 | M | The Holy Ghost shall teach you what ye ought to say. |
| 8 | Tu | Ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come. |
| 9 | W | He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness. |
| 10 | Th | Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit. Zech 4. |
| 11 | F | Thou gavest also Thy good Spirit to instruct them. [6. |
| 12 | S | No man can say that Jesus is Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. |
| 13 | S | We have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Ep.2.18. |
| 14 | M | The Spirit Himself beareth witness with our spirit. |
| 15 | Tu | Ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise. Ep.1.13. |
| 16 | W | The Spirit searcheth all things, yea the deep things of God. |
| 17 | Th | The love of God is shed abroad...by the Holy Ghost. |
| 18 | F | The Spirit of truth...He shall testify of Me. John 15.26. |
| 19 | S | He will shew you things to come. John 16. 13. [name. |
| 20 | S | The Holy Ghost whom the Father will send in My |
| 21 | M | Abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost. |
| 22 | Tu | He saved us by the...renewing of the Holy Ghost. |
| 23 | W | The Spirit of truth...will guide you into all truth. |
| 24 | Th | It is the Spirit that beareth witness. 1 John. 5. 6. |
| 25 | F | Hereby we know that He abideth in us by the Spirit. |
| 26 | S | They began to speak...as the Spirit gave them utterance. |
| 27 | S | To one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom. |
| 28 | M | I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord. |
| 29 | Tu | He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. John 14.17. |
| 30 | W | Let Thy good Spirit lead me in the land of uprightness. |
| 31 | Th | My Spirit shall not always strive with man. Gen. 6. 3. |

“Tell Jesus.”

GO and tell it all to Jesus,
All the burden of thy care,
Griefs thou canst not tell another,
He will all thy sorrows share.
See upon that brow once wounded,
“Man of Sorrows” written there.

Go and tell thy sins to Jesus,
Some might turn away in pride,
But the heart of Jesus never
Turns a contrite one aside ;
Truth and mercy—full forgiveness—
Meet in Him, the Crucified.

Art thou tempted, faint, desponding ?
He can sympathize with thee ;
Having suffered, He can succour,
And a present help will be.
He, still touched, with deep compassion,
Feels for our infirmity.

Go and tell thy fears to Jesus,
Fears of coming pain or loss,
If His own, as gold, He trieth,
'T is but to consume the dross ;
Learn the love He hath toward thee,
'Neath the shadow of His Cross.

Go then, tell it all to Jesus,
He will all thy need supply,
His the strength to do or suffer,
His the grace to live or die ;
Wisdom, knowledge, love—His fulness,
Thee shall fully satisfy. J. H. S.

NOVEMBER—30 Days.

2nd. Full Moon 3h 18m P.M. | 16th. New Moon 5h 11m P.M.
 9th. Last Quar. 11h 7m P.M. | 24th First Quar. 7h 19m A.M.

THE DAILY LIFE OF THE BELIEVER.

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| 1 | F | For me to live is CHRIST. Phil. 1. 21. |
| 2 | S | Adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things. |
| 3 | S | In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works. |
| 4 | M | Walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you. |
| 5 | Tu | In God we boast all the day long. Ps. 44. 8. [Lord. |
| 6 | W | Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the |
| 7 | Th | Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might. |
| 8 | F | In thy name shall they rejoice all the day. Ps. 89. 16. |
| 9 | S | Ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ. |
| 10 | S | Serve Him with a perfect heart, and with a willing |
| 11 | M | In all thy ways acknowledge Him. Prov. 3. 6. [mind. |
| 12 | Tu | Let your speech be always with grace seasoned with salt. |
| 13 | W | Study to shew thyself approved unto God. 2 Tim. 2. 15. |
| 14 | Th | Abstain from all appearance of evil. 1 Thess. 5. 22. |
| 15 | F | Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning. |
| 16 | S | Give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. |
| 17 | S | Take up his cross daily, and follow Me. Luke 9. 23. |
| 18 | M | Son, go work to-day in my vineyard. Matt. 21. 28. |
| 19 | Tu | Give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproach- |
| 20 | W | Let your conversation be as becometh the gospel. [fully. |
| 21 | Th | Walk in wisdom toward them that are without. Col. 4. 5. |
| 22 | F | Be ye swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath. [17. |
| 23 | S | Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray. Ps. 55. |
| 24 | S | Follow after righteousness, faith, love. 2 Tim. 2. 22. |
| 25 | M | As the servants of Christ doing the will of God. |
| 26 | Tu | To do good and to communicate forget not. Heb. 13. 16. |
| 27 | W | As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men. |
| 28 | Th | Every day will I bless Thee and praise Thy name. |
| 29 | F | The life of Jesus should be made manifest in our body. |
| 30 | S | Walk before Me, and be thou perfect. Gen. 12. 1. |

GEMS OF TRUTH.

THE child of God proves the strength and grace of his heavenly Father only as he walks in the ways of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Ark of God at Jordan went *before* the people, was in their *midst*, and followed *after*. So Christ is the *Leader*, the *reward*, and the *glory* in the midst of the Church—the believer's life and bond of fellowship.

It is only by faith that we know our pardon, acceptance, and peace with God. And without the knowledge of these there can be no strength for the journey, and no happy enjoyment of God Himself in the riches of His grace. As all blessing flows from the grace of God, and is all founded on the cross of Christ, so it all rests on His word. And the Holy Spirit, by whom we are quickened and taught, is given in connection with faith.

God often breaks the cistern in order to bring us to the fountain. He withers our gourds that He Himself may be our shade.

DECEMBER—31 Days.

2nd. Full Moon 6h 38m A.M. | 16th. New Moon 6h 30m A.M.
 9th. Last Quar. 7h 9m A.M. | 24th. First Quar. 5h 21m A.M.
 31st. Full Moon 8h 31m p.m.

UNFULFILLED PROPHECIES.

1	S	Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness. Is.32.1.
2	M	All nations shall come and worship before Thee. Re.15.4.
3	Tu	Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth. Is. 65. 15.
4	W	Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence. Ps.50.3.
5	Th	I will come again, and receive you unto Myself. [Him.
6	F	All kings shall fall.. before Him ; all nations shall serve
7	S	They shall look on me whom they have pierced. Ze.12.10.
8	S	I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea-
9	M	He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him.
10	Tu	The Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.
11	W	His feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives.
12	Th	The desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. [glory.
13	F	The Gentiles shall see Thy righteousness, and... kings Thy
14	S	I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people. Is.65.19.
15	S	All the ends of the earth shall fear Him. Ps. 77. 7.
16	M	Be glad and rejoice ; for the Lord will do great things.
17	Tu	Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents.
18	W	I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the
19	Th	I will ransom them from the power of the grave. [earth.
20	F	He shall bear the glory, and... sit and rule upon His throne.
21	S	There shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying.
22	S	Unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue...swear.
23	M	The Lord shall be King over all the earth. Zech. 14. 9.
24	Tu	The Lord hath purposed it to stain the pride of all glory.
25	W	<i>Christmas Day.</i> Behold thy King cometh unto thee. Ze.9.9.
26	Th	It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
27	F	The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken in pieces.
28	S	Ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.
29	S	He...appointed a day in which He will judge the world.
30	M	He must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet.
31	Tu	All the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord.

The Lord is my Shepherd.

HOW can I want, my Shepherd is my Lord ?
How can I doubt, since I have heard His
word ?

He shades me from the burning heat of day,
And to the cool sweet pasture guides my way ;
He leads me on where silent waters flow,
That I may find in Him my all below.

And when at length the sinking sunlight shews
That my life's day is almost at its close ;
When on my path the evening shadows fall
I'll find Him still by me, my All in all,
And, closed to earth, yet still these eyes shall see
The Light of life, my Jesus still with me.

And since by Thee my wants have been supplied,
And nothing needful ever yet denied,
Thy goodness and Thy mercy all my days,
Shall lead to an eternity of praise,
When in the home prepared for me above
My heart shall know eternity of love.

C. BUTLER-STONEY.

THE PLAN OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.

IN the Gospels we learn of the Saviour, in the Acts we learn of salvation, in the Epistles how to live, and in Revelation the glories to come; and the grace of God does it all. The four Gospels shew us the "Royal Lawgiver," the "Mighty Worker," the "Friend of Man," the "Son of God"—four aspects but one portrait. The themes are Messiahship, Service, Humanity, Divinity. Matthew concludes with Jesus risen; Mark, Jesus risen and ascended: Luke adds to this the promise of the Holy Ghost; and John shows Him risen, ascended, and breathing the Holy Ghost. In the Acts we read the labour of the evangelists, in the Epistles the instruction of teachers. The Acts leaves us with the Holy Ghost come down to dwell in believers. The Epistles are the permanent record of the Apostles' work in building up the Church. The Epistles of the Romans, Corinthians, and Galatians are corrective, decisive in character; Thessalonians are occupied with the glorious appearing of our Lord. The pastoral Epistles add their suggestive words. The Apocalypse fulfils the promise of the appearing.


Christ crucified, Christ risen, and Christ coming again is the doctrine that we are to preach.

HOW TO READ THE SCRIPTURES.

1. Expect to find Christ in them, and God's mind about Christ, and about those that believe in Him.
2. Expect to find God's ways with His saints and servants in ages past, in this present time, and in the ages to come.
3. Expect the same also as to Israel and the nations.
4. Read to obey; the comfort of the Scriptures will follow.
5. Read all, and always with prayer and meditation.

Grace and Glory.

BY THE LATE ANDREW MILLER.

 ALL blessing, both for time and eternity, is folded up in these two words. "The Lord will give grace and glory." Both come from Him, and both are the fruit or expression of His love. Some have spoken of *grace* as the bud, and *glory* as the full-blown beauties of the flower. Others have said David and Solomon are the illustration of both. Grace was exhibited in David, and glory in Solomon. It was grace that raised David from his low estate to the highest honours, and it was the same grace that restored him when he wandered, that comforted him in sorrow, that sustained him when in conflict, and that kept him safe until he reached his journey's end. But when grace had done its work in David glory shines forth in Solomon. Glory was stamped on everything under his reign. His throne, his attendance, every detail of his household, even the whole land of Israel, reflected his glory, yet grace shone in all the glory. The two things are inseparable. But it is chiefly in this world that grace has to do with us. This marks the great difference between grace and glory. Grace has to do with us in our weakness, failure, sorrow, and willingly brings the needed strength, restoration, comfort, and holy joy. It is the sweet and needed companion of the days of our humiliation. Oh, what a friend and companion, what a portion grace

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is for a soul in this world, and what an unspeakable blessing to know the grace of God in truth! "*The Lord will give grace and glory.*" Forget not this, O my soul, reckon on both—on *grace* now, on *glory* hereafter. They can never fail. There is no need they cannot meet, and no enemy they cannot conquer. Like the pilgrim's guardian angels, "Goodness and Mercy," in Psalm xxiii., they surround thee on every side. Encircled indeed thou art, whether in Baca's Vale or on Zion's Hill, with a heavenly company. Carry this thought with thee, it will give strength and comfort to thine heart in a time of need. What can be more suitable for a pilgrim's path than the precious truths which are at once suggested by the beautiful symbols of a "sun and shield"? or by the plain but all comprehensive words "grace and glory"? And as if these did not sufficiently express the love and care of thy Lord, it is added, "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." Say, then, O my soul, is not this enough? He is unwearied in His love, He is all patience in His ministry, He waits on thee in every step of thy journey, He fills the pools and well of Baca to refresh the pilgrim on his way. What truth for the heart, what light for the path, what strength for conflict, what assurance of victory in His boundless grace! Suffering first, glory follows. Take courage, my soul. "*A little while*" and glory will fill the wide, wide regions of thy Lord's dominion. And being *with Him* thou shalt be at the centre of it all. Conflict ceases there.

GRACE AND GLORY.

Here grace has to struggle with our evil in many ways, and sometimes it may seem doubtful which is to win the day; but the Lord gives more grace, and it always triumphs. But there no evil can ever be, either to dispute or divide the scene with glory. Then the days of evil will be past, and past for ever. Then the Lord of glory will have everything His own way, He will form and fashion everything after His own mind, He will keep everything under His own hand, and stamp everything with His own glorious image. It will then be *glory*, GLORY, GLORY.

Oh! blessed, happy, looked-for, longed-for day, come quickly! Oh! what a day that will be—a day of unmingled blessedness, a day of inconceivable joy, in rejoining those who have gone before—in seeing Thee, O most blessed Lord, face to face, and those *once* known, *well* known, and loved on earth! Oh! day of days, second to none, save that first of all days when Thou didst give Thyself for us, when Thou didst lay the foundation in Thy death of that coming glory!

“Loved ones are gone before, whose pilgrim days are done
I soon shall greet them on that shore, where partings are
unknown.

But more than all, I long His glories to behold,
Whose smile shall fill the radiant throng with ecstasy
untold.

That bright, yet tender smile—my sweetest welcome
there—

Shall cheer me through the ‘little while.’ I tarry for
Him here.

Thy love, most gracious Lord, my joy and strength
shall be,

Till Thou shalt speak the gladdening word that bids me
rise to Thee.”

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