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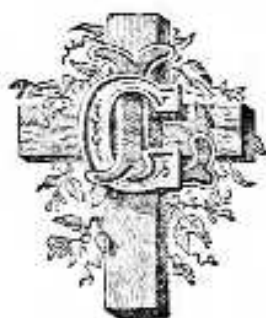
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PREFACE.



THE design of this work is strictly devotional,—to deepen in the hearts of its readers, with the divine blessing, a sense of the value of the Memorial Ordinance, and thus to rescue this precious rite from that formal and superstitious observance on the one hand, and that careless and irreverent observance on the other, which are, alas! too common.

It is evident from the nature of the Supper and the circumstances of its appointment, that our Saviour intended it to hold an important relation to the Christian life, and it has been our endeavor, as best we could, to set forth its great lessons of love and loyalty.

This ordinance is not an obsolete institution,—useful only in the infancy of the church,—but is pertinent to the

spiritual needs of believers in all times, even the most enlightened.

Never, "till HE come" in person,—He who sustains a relation so vital to our spiritual life,—can we afford to dispense with the quickening influence of this endearing memorial.

Certainly, in this age of skepticism, religious conflict, and prevailing worldliness, it is all-important that Christians cherish an abiding conviction of the Redeemer's presence, as a living Teacher, Guide, and Master, and that therefore they carefully regard this ordinance, whose language is, "This do in remembrance of me."

That our presentation of this grand theme may help to draw Christians nearer to their Lord and Saviour is our fervent prayer.

To His favor we commend, and to His ever-blessed Name we dedicate, this humble volume

J. C.

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