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PREFATORY NOTE

ONE of the most valuable of my early lessons in homiletics had respect to the treatment of somewhat extended portions of Scripture, as the sermon ordinarily discusses a single verse. Such expositions of the word do not consist in scattering and illogical comments, however edifying in themselves, on the successive verses of a passage. They are rather, as the old Scotch Uncle expresses it, "sinking a mine doon" into some definite and segregated portion of Holy Writ, with a view to bringing up and into clearest emphasis its central teaching, and at the same time grouping all its subordinate thoughts in some living order around the leading idea. The effort to do this in a few instances explains the title of this little volume, and gives shape to the discussions herein recorded.

I have ventured to adhere to the numbered heads of discourse, though this seems just now to be a little "out of style." An experience of over forty years in the ministry has convinced