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"The Lord thy God, is one God; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God. with thy whole heart, with thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind."

"And no one knoweth The Son, but The Father; neither doth any one know The Father, but The Son: and he to whom it shall please The Son, to reveal Him."

"For now I see Thee, face to face, And know that I am saved by Christ."

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"In Him was life, and the life was the light of man."

THIS record of facts, of the actual experience of the abundance of life, held out to mankind, even to repentant sinners, beginning with a God-given power to believe and trust in Christ, the belief changed to knowledge by the manifestation of the Lord, is written with the hope of helping some sinner who, perhaps like me, has allowed the fire of sin to lower him soul and body; who has been overcome by the enemy that leaves his trail of darkness, blinding men, hardening their hearts, quenching the light that is in them, and striving for the rule of the flesh and the subjection and ultimate destruction of the soul.

The day came, however, when I awoke to

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the realization of my position, a "servant of sin," and I longed to "be free," and "sin no more," for I had been brought up to believe in Christ, and even had a parrot-like knowledge of the Gospel, although the darkness within was placing obstructions before me in my endeavor to find "The Way;" even taking the so-called divisions in the good Shepherd's fold as a means of puzzling and blinding me to the fact that the Lord said: "Wheresoever two of you are gathered together in My Name there also am I."

Through reading the opinions of many writers on religion and science, I arrived at the conclusion that it would be well to know not what some one thought, but rather to know—the TRUTH. Since then my consciousness has been awakened to the knowledge that the Lord taught: "I AM THE WAY, AND THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE: NO MAN COMETH TO THE FATHER BUT BY ME."

At last the time came when it was given me to choose the Christ, as the Preacher, in whom

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I should place my trust; THE ONE upon whom I should call to defend me, sinner though I was: that I should endeavor to learn what the DIVINE REDEEMER preached and make an effort to keep the Lord's commandments.

It is not my intention to criticise the methods of the men who are sent to preach Christ's Gospel; who labor in the vineyard; who go about feeding the lambs and the sheep. The TRUTH to which I am endeavoring to call attention is that the Lord, in building His Church, calls souls—by personal invitation to the individual—directly to GOD, to THE GOOD SHEPHERD'S MANIFESTED CARE.

The Christ instructs us to worship in spirit, and in truth; for "GOD IS A SPIRIT, and they who adore Him must adore Him in spirit and in truth. The Lord requires mankind to pray "for the glory of GOD alone, and not for the glory of men," and requests us to heed the personal invitation. "But thou, when thou shalt pray, enter into thy chamber, and having

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