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Preface

THE object proposed in compiling "The Way of Life" has been to provide a manual of devotion intermediate between the "Star of Childhood" and the "Treasury of Devotion." The same principles pervade the three manuals, which thus form a series suitable, it is hoped, to meet the needs of the successive periods of life to which they are respectively adapted.

The "Way of Life" has been subjected to the criticism of several persons who have had much experience in dealing with the young, and the benefit of their most kind and careful supervision the Compiler has availed himself of to the utmost. The value of the book is indeed very greatly owing to the materials and advice thus obtained.

Thankful acknowledgments are also due to the Editors of "Hymns Ancient and Modern" for allowing the use of their translations of the following Hymns:—"Pange Lingua," "Verbum Supernum Prodiens," "O Esca Viatorum," "Veni Sancte Spiritus," "Veni Creator Spiritus"; to Mrs. Neale for "The day is past and o'er," from Dr. Neale's "Hymns for the Eastern Church," ed. 1862; to the Editors of "The Priest to the Altar" for their translation of "Adoro te devote"; to the Rev. T. Keble, jun., for the Rev.

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John Keble's Hymn "New every morning is the love"; to Dr. Littledale for the Hymn "LORD JESU, by Thy Passion"; to the Rev. J. W. E. Bennett for "Unto Thy holy Altar, Lord," from "the Old Church Porch," and to the Rev. H. R. Bramley for "There is a Fountain filled with Blood."

It will be seen that forms of prayer of different lengths are provided in this manual, so that the use of prayer may not be found burdensome to any; it being borne in mind that the book is intended for the young of different ages, and that in their case especially opportunities and power for devotion must greatly vary.

This manual, like the two others with which it is connected, has been compiled in the conviction, that devotion, and through acts of devotion the formation of the inward character, is best secured by a faithful adherence to the fullest standard of faith and practice which our Church sets before us.

That a true Church of England piety may ever be preserved and prevail among us, notwithstanding the divisions which sadden and perplex us, and that this manual may through God's blessing be made instrumental to this high end, has been the object of the compiler, and is the common prayer of himself and the undersigned.

T. T. C.

Ascension Tide, 1871.

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