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PREFACE.

THE subject of this small Volume is one of surpassing preciousness to every believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. There is no subject, indeed, in the wide range of Divine revelation which is sweeter to the taste of all the disciples of Jesus, than His own assurance of the tender affection which He ever cherisheth towards them. This was often given in His Loving Words as well as by every act of His life, and was at last sealed by His death on the Cross. With the view, and in the hope, that every believer in Jesus may find an inexhaustible source of profit and comfort in these "Meditations," I have chosen this subject. I trust that what I have written, so far as I have

been guided by the Holy Spirit, may help to lead my readers to follow in the same track. If so, they will be most thankful that a gracious Providence has directed their thoughts into this channel. The "Loving Words" of our Lord, if treasured up in the memory, will prove to them at all times, and under every class of circumstances, springs of spiritual blessing in the largest and best meaning of the phrase. Those Sayings of our Saviour which I have, in this connected form, sought to make the subject of my readers' "Meditations," as they have been of my own, will not fail, if the Divine Spirit be earnestly asked to open up their hidden meaning, and apply them to the mind and heart, to lead them to Christ Himself, by whom they were spoken, and through Him to God the Father.

And here let me ask the reader's special attention to what I have said, in the concluding Chapter of my little Work, on the mistaken views which prevail among many of the saints of God

with regard to the positions, if I may use the expression, which God the Father and Christ the Son, respectively occupy in relation to the origin and carrying out of the scheme of man's redemption. I speak advisedly when I say, that many of the holiest and best of God's people entertain views on this point, which are altogether unscriptural, and at once dishonouring to God the Father and the source of great discomfort to their own souls. I have shown in that part of my work—in which I have gone at some length into the subject—that they almost shrink from the contemplation of God the Father, as if He always wore a frowning face to them, while the face of Christ the Son, is ever radiant with smiles as He looks upon them. In other words, they flee from God to Christ. This is an entire reversal of the Scriptural order of things. That order of things is to regard Christ as what He describes Himself to be,—the way to God ; and the believer ought never to rest, until, through Jesus, he has found access, not only, as I have

remarked in the body of this work, to the Throne, but to the very Heart of God.

As I have reason to believe that these "Meditations" will, owing to the nature of the subject, be, in many cases, given away as presents from friends to friends, I have caused the little Volume to be done up by the binder in a style which may make it suitable for that purpose.

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