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PREFACE.

THIS volume contains the substance of a series of Discourses on the person of Christ, as described in the Apocalypse and the Song of Songs, delivered by me in the ordinary course of my ministry. The Discourses, when given in full, *viva voce* weekly, contained numerous local applications, which in the main have been left out; a few slight verbal alterations have also been made upon them, and in some, as will readily be perceived by the intelligent reader, the line of thought has been considerably condensed. It was very gratifying to me to be told, from time to time, of blessing received under the hearing of these Discourses by the people over whom I have been placed "in the Lord;" and if they have been committed to the press, chiefly in answer to the urgent request of some of them, it is my prayerful hope that, in this form, they may be largely blessed of God, to all into whose hands this volume may come. May the Holy Spirit, who

receiveth and taketh of the things of Christ and showeth them unto men, be with every reader, and discover to him the deeper meaning which doubtless yet underlies the analogies employed in the Word to set forth the beauty and glory of the Beloved—the Beloved of the Father and of the Church: and to Father, Son, and Spirit be all the honour and praise.

BASTWELL VILLA, BLACKBURN,
January 1878.

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