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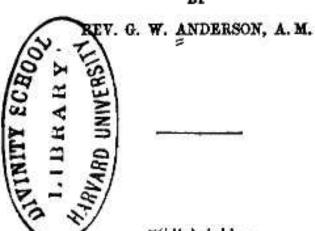


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PREFACE.

THE preparation of the following work was first suggested to me in the year 1846. In the early part of that year, it was my happiness to be placed in the midst of a revival of religion of no ordinary interest. Both during the revival and afterwards, I was frequently called upon to converse with those that were asking The Way to Christ. I then felt, as often before, the need of a manual for inquirers, different in some important respects from those that I had been accustomed to use. Some of these possessed great and acknowledged merits; but none met, precisely, the want. The preparation of the following work was therefore undertaken. The general plan was marked out, and a considerable portion of it completed, when a press of public duties compelled me to lay it aside. It is only recently that I have found leisure to resume and finish the work. My object has been to present a (iii)

plain and Scriptural outline of personal religious duty. I have labored, therefore, to divest the subject of the difficulties with which it is sometimes surrounded; and to prepare a manual for inquirers at once brief and comprehensive. It is now sent forth with the hope that, under the divine blessing, it may prove an assistant to the Pastor in his momentous labors, and to the private Christian in his efforts to do good.

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Lewisburg, Pa., July, 1851.

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CHAPTER I.

ANXIETY FOR THE SOUL.

"What must I do to be saved?" Acts xvi. 80.

An important point has been reached, when the question of the jailer at Philippi arises in the heart, even though it may never have been uttered by the lips. Some may perchance read these pages, who never have asked this momentous question. Anxiety for the soul is too often regarded as an unworthy feeling. Very many would blush to be suspected of such a weakness, as they call it. It may be that my reader has been one of this class. If you have ever cherished such a feeling, let me try to show you its utter unreasonableness. It