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P R E F A C E.

“ **M**ORE light ! Oh, for more light ! ”

It was the cry of an aged matron who had long been, externally at least, a consistent follower of the Lamb of God. Overburdened by bodily disease which speedily brought her to the dust of death, and harassed by the remembrance of sins, both of omission and commission, her spirit was enveloped in a cloud of darkness. She had no need to utter the first prayer, which was once taught to a Highland kitchen-maid, “ Lord, show me myself.” Poor, and wretched, and miserable, and blind, and naked, she felt herself to be ; and her urgent and often repeated supplication for more light was practically the same as the second prayer which the Highland girl learned, to her ultimate joy, to offer, “ Lord, show me Thyself.”

A Christian friend was sent for, and speedily visited

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the disconsolate invalid. Discovering her need, he sought to turn her eyes away from self to Jesus, and the Father whom He reveals. As the visitor spoke of the love of Jehovah, manifested in the sending of His only begotten Son into the world that we might live through Him,—of the love of the Eternal Son, shown by assuming our nature, and therein giving Himself as a ransom for sinners,—of the blood shed on Calvary which cleanseth from all sin,—of the call of the Redeemer to come to Himself that we may find rest,—and of the assurance that whosoever cometh shall in no wise be cast out,—light from heaven shone again into the old matron's heart. "That's a great comfort," was ever and anon her utterance, as her friend stood beside her bed, and tried to exhibit the Highway of Salvation, free to her and to all. She began anew to encourage herself in the God of all grace, and rejoiced to the end in the faithful saying, that the Son of Man came into the world to seek and to save the lost.

Not from within, but from without, not from self but from Christ, can blessed hope come to any heart. As we look to Him we find light and peace and joy. Love Divine, beaming with unspeakable holiness and beauty from the face of the Crucified, awakens love in our cold, dead natures, and changes us as we gaze

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thereon* into the likeness of Itself. "We all, with open face, beholding* as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." (2 Cor. iii. 18.)

To exhibit, and explain in simple language, the truth as to the way of Salvation, with its results in the case of believers, is the author's object in the following pages. Every chapter, while opening up its own particular theme, is practically an exposition, more or less full, of the main topic of the volume,—and a large amount of original and selected anecdotes has been employed for the illustration and enforcement of the subject.

May the Ever-Blessed Spirit take of the things of Christ which are presented here, and thereby enlighten many darkened understandings, so that they may know the hope of Christ's calling. And if this prayer is answered, the writer is assured that "at evening time it shall be light" to all who welcome the comforting tidings. As Jasper Bolton, when very near the close of life, said to a friend who asked him, "Is your faith strong?" they will each be at least enabled to reply, "No; but *my Jesus is*: I rejoice in Him greatly with a quiet joy."

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