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## P R E F A C E.

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MANY text books have from time to time been presented to the public,—but none of a nature entirely similar to the one now offered; and for this reason—that the texts are not arranged according to any particular plan or system whatever, but have merely been thus collated from time to time, as they have seemed to strike the mind as answering to each other, while reading the sacred Scriptures. Thus the idea that is intended to be conveyed by the corresponding text is sometimes a fuller carrying out, or an enlargement

of the one contained in the first text : sometimes it is a little climax. In other couplets, the two texts are intended to be in direct opposition to each other, and so bringing out more fully the meaning and force of both. Thus, in No. 16, the idea intended to be conveyed is, that the words "MY Father and YOUR Father" may be understood to express what is meant by the words "OUR Father" in the Lord's prayer, thus proving that "both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one; for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brethren." In No. 88, a climax is intended to be understood: not only shall the overcomer come to HIS SEAT, but more than *that*, shall sit on HIS THRONE; and so Nos. 47, 90, 91, 122, and others. Again, in No. 217 a complete opposition of idea is intended—that Israel should not "bring forth

FRUIT UNTO HIMSELF," but that Israel should bring forth "fruit unto HOLINESS."

In some couplets doctrine is intended to be set forth, as Nos. 27, 36, 37, &c., while in others the texts thus collated will be found to contain an interchange between Christ and the believer, as No. 58, &c.

These few explanations have seemed necessary, because the writer has found that the line of thought in her own mind which induced her thus to collate some of the texts, not having been the exact line of thought in the mind of another while reading them, some have been misunderstood, or rather, have not fully conveyed the idea intended to be conveyed by them. The words that are printed in large type are those intended to be in apposition, and thus serve to bring out the full force of the couplet; and if there be some,



the meaning and connection of which do not immediately appear, it will be found a most profitable exercise of the soul to meditate upon them, until they are discovered. But after all, a spiritually enlightened mind will be found by far the best key to unlock any difficulties which might present themselves to the minds of others.

These texts were not collated, originally, with any view to publication; but are now presented to the public through the earnest request of many individuals, who are most anxious to possess a copy.

## ADDRESS TO THE READER.

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DEAR CHRISTIAN READER,—In this little book thou art presented with the pure Word of God, without any admixture whatever. It is the earnest wish of her who has thus collated these texts, that thou mayest, through them, find “thy meditation of Him to be sweet,” who “is the chiefest among ten thousand, and the altogether lovely.” May they be the means of leading thee to a greater appreciation than ever of the Sacred Scriptures, and of Him of whom they testify. May they be the daily food of thy soul, the constant companion of thy walks, and the exceeding comfort

of thy sick chamber ; and by daily meditating upon them as they stand thus collated and connected, may they lead thee to closer and closer communion with Him who is thy present joy, and thine Everlasting Portion.

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