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FOREWORD

THE "FIVE HUNDRED CHILDREN'S SUBJECTS" found in these pages, have been gathered from the Word of God and used in making known the glad tidings of Redeeming Love amongst young folks, during a period of forty years. They are now passed on for the aid of fellow-workers, who may need a helping hand to fill their seed baskets with "good seed" to sow new fields, their scrips with "smooth stones" to slay giants stalking through the land, and their quivers with sharp arrows" to wing their way straight to the conscience and the heart. They are not intended to diminish, but rather to encourage prayerful Scripture study and personal acquaintance with the Sacred Word, through which means alone the right spiritual condition and a fresh and bountiful supply of matter for effective and successful service can be maintained. But there are many ardent workers with little leisure, to whom we feel ourselves to be debtors to pass on what we have received, which is not our own, but the common property of all who serve our "One Lord," and seek to spread abroad His "glad and glorious Gospel."

The "Subjects" are simple, the "Outlines" natural, and the "Notes" only suggestive, the preacher or the teacher being best able to fit in and fill up with that which will meet the need of those to whom he bears the message.

Hallowed memories of times of awakening, seasons of revival, days of ingathering, with first testimonies of new-born souls to God's saving grace, come to mind in connection with these subjects and their use in Children's Meetings and Sunday Schools, when the Gospel in its love and power was used by the Spirit in bringing life to the dead, pardon to the guilty, and peace to the troubled.

May it please the great Lord of the harvest, who, in these last days of grace, is hastening His work of conversion and ingathering, to use His own Word and His own Gospel in the lips of His servants, to win many of those who are young in years to Himself.

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HINTS AND SUGGESTIONS How to Conduct Children's Meetings

A NOTABLE feature of the work of God's grace during the last half century has been the vast numbers who, in early years, have been brightly converted to God, to spend their best and brightest years in the happy and honourable service of the Lord Jesus.

In no sphere of evangelistic labour has there been seen so much abiding fruit as in the simply-conducted Sunday School, where godly teachers have set the great truths of God's Gospel before their classes week by week, watching with an earnest and prayerful interest the workings of the Divine Spirit by means of the Word, while seeking to woo and win the young and tender hearts of their scholars to the Saviour. Where religious instruction and doctrinal teaching are the only aim, and the Sunday School is regarded as a seminary where pupils receive a course of Biblical teaching to fit them to take their places in the Church and the world, apart from being born of God and personally accepting and confessing the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, there will, of course, be an absence of definite conversions, but where the truths of the sinner's ruin and need, with the Divine remedy as provided by God in the person of His beloved Son, presented in the Gospel of Christ as a message of salvation to all who believe, with the present

results as set forth so simply and definitely in the Word of God, are lovingly, attractively, and faithfully set forth, with confidence in the message and dependence on the Divine Spirit to make it effectual, there is and ever will be results in conversion.

Children's Gospel Meetings

Another form of effective Gospel effort amongst our young people has been the special Gospel Meeting or Service, on a convenient night and at a suitable hour for the children by themselves. Neither the time nor the character of the usual evangelistic service for adults is well suited for young children; they can be spoken to much better when assembled by themselves. sometimes arranged at a convenient hour on the Lord's Day, in other cases on a week-night, usually a Friday, when most are free from the preparation of day-school The success of such a service will largely depend upon the efficiency and earnestness of those who control and conduct it, in the means and methods they use, and the matter and message they keep before Not everybody, even among earnest the hearers. Christian workers, is called or fitted to conduct a meeting for children, and none should attempt it without a measure of such gift and grace as are needed to successfully carry on this work.

How to get the Children

The workers being found, the prayerful and practical sympathies of Christian parents and sellow-believers

enlisted, a suitable place secured, and a seasonable hour arranged, the necessary equipment and accessories procured, the next thing is how to find an audience. the meeting is intimated in the local Sunday Schools the previous Sunday, and parents requested to send out their children, a nucleus may thus be formed, but the chief object of such a meeting should be to "gather in" under sound of the Gospel those who do not usually hear it, and whose parents take no interest in sending A number of Invitation Slips or Cards, attractively got up, describing the character and object of the services, delivered in all the households of the neighbourhood, given at the day-schools, and handed by boys and girls to companions and schoolmates, usually have the effect of bringing as many as the place will hold, while some little gift, such as a booklet, cardlet, or text medal to each, or as an award for bringing so many others to the meeting, results in keeping the numbers up until personal interest secures their regular attendance.

How to Conduct the Meeting

SINGING.—Begin with a simple hymn, either selected from a hymn sheet which has been distributed among the children, or if they are not familiar with such hymns, or able to read them, a large type hymn hung in front, and repeated verse by verse until it is fixed in the memory will do for a beginning. As they become familiar with the words and the tune, get them to sing it, boys by themselves, then girls, after that all together, so as to have it thoroughly embedded in their memories. They will retain, remember, and repeat it in years to come.

See that the hymns are sound in doctrine, simple Gospel, and easily sung. Nothing more enlivens or gives "go" in a children's meeting than carefully chosen, well adapted, and thoroughly evangelical hymns. Many date their awakening, decision, conversion, and confession of Christ to the effects of a hymn, used by the Spirit to give life, light, or liberty to the soul.

PRAYER.—It should be simple, short, and appropriate, offered by one or more, who know the need and are in touch with God concerning it. The children should be taught reverence while God is being approached in prayer, and their posture and attention should be suited to the occasion.

SPEAKING.—Addresses at Children's Meetings should be brief, bright, interesting. Simple Gospel subjects, Bible narratives, the Lord's parables, miracles, invitations, warnings, with the whole range and scope of sound, solid Scripture teaching may form the matter. methods must vary according to the ability and volition of the speaker, no two will be exactly alike in these. The means used to convey the message, to make it simple to those who hear, to press its points home at suitable times, and above all to have it reach the conscience and the heart, will be matters of soul exercise and consideration with all who speak as the Lord's messengers, burdened with the solemnity of their message and the possible results of its reception or rejection by those who listen to it. Dry doctrinal expositions, the use of theological and unfamiliar words, slang phraseology, and irreverent expressions should be strictly avoided, and the sweet, simple story of the love of God, the death and resurrection of Christ, the Gospel of grace, the way of salvation with the brightness and blessings of the Christian life set forth lovingly, tenderly, earnestly, and faithfully.

Various Aids in Children's Meetings

Some, with special gifts and ability to hold and interest their hearers can do so without any auxiliaries or aids. They simply and only use the Word, and count on the Spirit's power to make it effectual. Let such be honoured, it is their special line and they are wise to The Great Teacher when addressing the keep to it. multitude was wont to use parables and pictures, object lessons and allegories in many of His discourses; at other times He simply and only quoted the Word of God. Let His example be followed in both respects. A lily of the field, a bird of the air, a brooding hen and her chickens, a shepherd with his flock, a fisherman and his nets, a sheep straying, a woman baking, a thief breaking in, a bottle bursting, and many such emblems, illustrations, and incidents drawn from the scenes around and quite familiar to His hearers, were the texts, the subjects, and the aids used by the Lord. And with wisdom and discernment, ever seeking the fitting word, or illustration, or incident for the occasion, His servants now may surely use the same. BLACKBOARD TALKS, with simple drawings, acrostic texts, links of truth, illustrations, and such like may often be used to profit by those who are deft of hand, and original in device. But there should always be some distinct and definite truth, or message, or point of application in what is presented on the board, otherwise it will be as insipid and uninteresting as it is useless.

OBJECT LESSONS, such as a watch, a lamp, a ring, a magnet, may be used to illustrate and explain many Gospel truths, while a fragile flower, a broken column, a fallen leaf describes and impresses the brevity and uncertainty of life. A clock, a sundial, a compass well illustrate time and eternity, while a lifebuoy, a globe, a penny, and a key are simple emblems of well-known salvation truths.

BIBLE PICTURES on such subjects as the Ark, the Passover, the Brazen Serpent, the Scapegoat; SCRIPTURE TYPES, such as Abel's Altar, Noah's Dove, the Sprinkling of the Blood, the Tabernacle; Gospel Parables like the straying sheep, the lost silver, the fishermen and their fish, are helpful in making the meaning plain, while they secure attention when fixed in a permanent place in front. Representations of Divine Persons, angelic beings, and fictitious persons, we do not consider it wise or profitable to use; false impressions often created by them are difficult to erase.

RECITATIONS of Gospel, Biblical, and thoroughly evangelical pieces; DIALOGUES on clear Gospel subjects dealing with difficulties and marking points of truth, in which several may share, interest, instruct, and tend to increase inquiry, while an occasional new hymn sung by one, two, or more, will enliven and enlighten the listeners. Mere entertainment should never be the aim, but bright, interesting, and lively meetings are perfectly consistent with sound teaching, spiritual power, and eternal results.

ADDRESSES to children and young people should always be brimful of the great fundamental truths of the

Gospel and the sinner's need of it, simply, definitely, and attractively set forth, with the brightness and beauty of the Christian life exalted and extolled. people generally are under the impression that Christ received, confessed, and followed, would deprive life of its joys and rob youth of its pleasures. To meet this, the saving, satisfying, and sanctifying power of the Gospel needs to be set before them, with personal testimony to the heart-filling and life-controlling power of Christ trusted, owned, and honoured. Frivolous subjects to raise a laugh, senseless sketches merely to amuse, and everything tending to create irreverence for sacred things should be strictly avoided in speaking and dealing with the Word of God. BIBLE SEARCHINGS on Gospel truths, and such occupations with the Bible as cause our boys and girls to become acquainted with its doctrines, histories, biographies, and wonders, are exceedingly valuable, and should be encouraged by parents, teachers, and all who seek their spiritual good.

HEALTHY BOOKS of Christian biography, Missionary effort, pioneering in distant lands, volumes of incidents of early conversion and happy youth, of which there is happily now a full supply, should be procured for and kept before our young folks in the home, lent in the Sunday School, and used as gifts and rewards. Religious fiction—often leavened with evil doctrine and more than suggestive of questionable practices—should on no account be provided or allowed, as its use can only be for evil.

PERSONAL DEALING with special cases of soul anxiety, spiritual difficulty, and seekers needing counsel should be, as far as possible, private, either at the close

or by special arrangement. In times of widespread interest and deep awakening it may, under the Lord's guidance, be advisable to urge upon those who are in the valley of decision, not far from the Kingdom, to rise to their feet, raise their hand, or such like, as a test of their anxiety. But it is not generally for abiding good, to extort confessions of faith and seek expressions of decision from boys and girls promiscuously gathered on ordinary occasions, the tendency of such being to give them frivilous ideas of conversion to God and take away all conscience in the profession thereof. May great grace, much fruit, and a full reward be granted to all who in these days of the Gospel's power among all nations, seek to teach its sweet story and declare its blessed message, and impart its living power to our boys and girls.

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Five Hundred Children's Subjects

SIMPLE GOSPEL TRUTHS

The Gospel

Its Message (I Cor. xv. 1)—Declared Its Power (Rom. i. 16)—Manifested Its Receivers (Acts xi. 21)—Converted Its Effects (Acts viii. 8)—Enjoyed

2 Two Welcomings

"They welcomed Him" (Luke viii. 40—R. V.)
"He welcomed them" (Luke ix. II—R. V.)

So now some sinners receive Christ (John i. 12)

And so now Christ receives sinners (Luke xv. 2)

3 Seeking

A sinner seeking the Saviour (Luke xix. 2, 9)
The Saviour seeking a sinner (John iv. 1, 8)
He seeks and saves (Luke xix. 10)
Sinners receive and rejoice (Luke xix 6)

4 Three Stages

"Without Christ"—By Nature (Eph. ii. 12)
"In Christ"—By Grace (Eph. ii. 13)
"With Christ"—In Glory (Phil. i. 23)
Out of self, into Christ, into Glory

5 Forgiveness of Sins

Promised (Acts xxvi. 18)—In the Word Proclaimed (Acts xiii. 38)—In the Gospel Possessed (Eph. i. 7)—In the Soul

6 Three Confessions of Christ

"My Saviour" (Luke i. 47)—By Mary

"My Lord" (Phil. iii. 8)—By Paul

"My God" (John xx. 28)—By Thomas

7 Christ's Invitations

"Come unto Me" (Matt. xi. 28)—For Rest

"Abide in Me" (John xv. 3)—For Fruitfulness

"Follow Me" (Matt. ix. 19)—For Service

8 Whosoevers

The "Whosoever" of Salvation (John iii. 16)

The "Whosoever" of Forgiveness (Acts x. 43)

The "Whosoever" of Regeneration (I John v. I)

The "Whosoever" of Condemnation (Rev. xx. 15)

9 God's Salvation

His own arm brought it (Isa. lxiii. 5)

His Gospel proclaims it (Eph. i. 13)

His Grace imparts it (Eph. ii. 8)

His People possess it (Phil. ii. 12)

The Gospel

Of Peace to the Troubled (Rom. x. 15)

Of Salvation to the Lost (Eph. i. 13)

Of Grace to the Guilty (Acts xx. 24)

11 Salvation for All

God's Love is for "the World" (John iii. 16) Christ's Ransom is "for all" (I Tim. ii. 6) The Gospel is to "every creature" (Mark xvi. 15) The Invitation is to "Whosoever will" (Rev. xxii. 17)

12 Christ for Me

I Receive Him as Saviour (John i. 12)

I Confess Him as Lord (Rom. x. 9)

I Follow Him as Shepherd (Psa. xxiii. 1)

I Learn of Him as Teacher (Matt. xi. 29)

13 Behold

Behold ye have sinned (Num. xxxii. 23)—Condemnation

Behold the Lamb of God (John i. 29)—Substitution Behold now is the day (2 Cor. v. 12)—Grace Behold He cometh (Rev. i. 7)—Judgment

14 Christ is All

Christ dying on the Cross—The Believer's Saviour (I Pet. ii. 24)

Christ living on the Throne—The Believer's Object (Heb. xii. 2)

Christ coming to the Air—The Believer's Hope (Tit. ii. 13)

15 Some Scripture "I Wills"

I will Arise (Luke xv. 18)—Repentance

I will Trust (Isa. xii. 2)—Faith

I will Take (Psa. cxvi. 13)—Salvation

I will Sing (Psa. lii. 9)—Praise

The order shows the sinner's path from Penury to Praise.

16 Spiritual Life

Life manifested in the Son (John i. 2)
Life imparted by the Father (I John v. II)
Life sustained by the Word (I Pet. ii. 2)
Life strengthened by the Spirit (Rom. viii. 2)

17 Lips

The Sinner's Lips—Unclean (Isa. vi. 5)
The Believer's Lips—Purged (Isa. vi. 6)
The Worshipper's Lips—Praising (Heb. xiii. 15)
The Witness' Lips—Testifying (Prov. xv. 7)

18 Messages from Olivet

The Place of Christ's Loneliness (John viii. I)—
Humiliation

The Place of Christ's Tears (Luke xix. 41, 44)— Compassion

The Scene of Christ's Agony (Matt. xxvi. 30)— Suffering

The Scene of Christ's Ascension (Acts i. 12)—Glory The Place of Christ's Return (Zech. xiv. 4)—Reign

19 Prayer and Promise

Prayer Promise
Cleanse Me (Psa. li. 2) (John xv. 3)
Keep Me (Psa. lxvii. 8) (I Sam. ii. 9)
Guide Me (Psa. xxxi. 3) (Psa. xxxii. 8)
Receive Me (Psa. xlix. 15) (John xiv. 3)

20 Past, Present, Future

What I WAS (Rom. v. 10)—God's Enemy What I AM (1 John iii. 1)—God's Child What I SHALL BF (Rom. viii. 17)—God's Heir

21 Good News

A Call to the Thirsty (John vii. 37)—Come and Drink An Invitation to the Hungry (John xxi. 12)—Come and Dine

A Request to the Weary (Matt. xi. 28)—Come and Rest

22 Feet

The Sinner's Feet (Prov. i. 16)—Run in Sin
The Saviour's Feet (Psa. xxii. 16)—Pierced for Sin
The Saved One's Feet (Psa. xl. 2)—Set on a Rock
The Servant's Feet (Isa. lii. 7; Eph. vi. 15)—Shod
to Run

23 All the World

Love for all the World (John iii. 16) A Saviour for all Men (I Tim. ii. 4, 6) A Gospel to every Creature (Matt. xvi. 15)

24 For whom Christ gave Himself

For All (I Tim. ii. 6)—Universal For the Church (Eph. v. 25)—Special For Us (Eph. v. 2)—Individual For Me (Gal. ii. 20)—Personal

25 Steps in the Heavenly Life

Washed from Sin (Rev. i. 7)—In Christ's Blood Walking in New Life (Rom. vi. 4)—In Christ's Power

Working for Others' Good (Col. iii. 13)—In Christ's Name

Waiting in Hope (I Thess. i. 10)—For Christ's Coming

The order given is right—Salvation first, service next

26 Divine Invitations

Come to the Waters (Isa. lv. 1)—To the Thirsty
Come let us Reason (Isa. i. 18)—To the Guilty
Come, and I will give Rest (Matt. xi. 28)—To the
Weary

27 Small Beginnings

A Small Seed (Mark iv. 31)—Became a Great Tree A Little Leaven (Matt. xiii. 33)—Permeated the Whole

A few Loaves (Matt. xiv. 17)—Fed a Multitude

So are the beginnings of sin, evil doctrine, wrong-doing, grace in the heart, new life at conversion, leading on to endless glory or woe.

28 A Threefold Cord

An earnest Appeal—"Blot out mine iniquities" (Psa. li. 9)

An Accomplished Work—"Laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isa liii. 6)

A Glorious Result—"Whose iniquities are forgiven" (Rom. iv. 7)

29 Things Everlasting

Everlasting Life (Rom. vi. 22)—To Enjoy Everlasting Light (Isa. xli. 7)—To Walk in Everlasting Love (Jer. xxxi. 3)—To Abide in

30 Certainties

True of all who now believe in Christ

Shall not come into Condemnation (John v. 24) Shall never Perish (John x. 28) Shall not see Death (John viii. 51)

31 Certainties

Sure to all unbelievers and the ungodly.

Shall not see Life (John iii. 36)

Shall be Damned (Mark xvi. 16)

Shall go into Punishment (Mark xxv. 47)

32 From Rags to a Robe

Rags Unclean (Isa. lxiv. 5)—Human Righteousness Garments Patched (Mark ii. 21)—Man's Reformation The Best Robe (Luke xv. 22)—God's Righteousness

- I. All that belongs to sinners by nature
- 2. All that man can do by practice
- 3. What God gives in grace

"The Whole World"

Lieth in Wickedness (I John v. 19)—Degradation Deceived by Satan (Rev. xx.)—Infatuation Guilty before God (Rom. iii. 19)—Condemnation Christ's Death avails for (I John ii. 2)—Salvation

34 My Life Story

I was born at Eph. ii. 2

I lived in Titus iii. 3

I heard of a wonderful gift in John iii. 16

I saw a great sight in John i. 29

I received a great possession I John v. 12

I am now in a good position Rom. viii. I

I expect soon to be leaving for I Thess. iv. 17

35 Tenses of Life

I WAS "without Christ" (Eph. ii. 12)

I AM "in Christ" (Rom. viii. 1)

I SHALL BE "like Christ" (I John iii. 2)

36 The Christian Athlete

The Entrance (John x. 9)—Conversion The Stripping (Heb. xii. 1)—Separation The Course (Phil. iii. 14)—Progression The Goal (2 Tim. iv. 9)—Glorification

37 What is Ready

The Sinner is Ready to Perish (Isa. xxvii. 13)
The Salvation of God is Ready (Luke xiv. 17)
The Evangelist is Ready to Preach (Rom. i. 15)
God is Ready to Pardon (Neh. ix. 17)

38 Divine Forgiveness

As proclaimed to All in Acts xiii. 38

Its Ground—The Blood of Christ (Eph. i. 7)
Its Source—The Grace of God (Eph. i. 7)
Its Extent—All Trespasses (Col. ii. 13)

39 "To the Uttermost"

Wrath on the Unbeliever (I Thess. ii. 17) Salvation to the Believer (Heb. vii. 25) The Gospel to be Preached (Acts i. 8) Retribution to the Ungodly (Matt. v. 26)

40 The Right Hand of God

Where Christ at present is

A Place of Rest—He "sat down" (Heb. x. 12)

A Place of Honour—"Exalted to be a Prince"

(Acts v. 31)

A Place of Reward—"He Despised the Shame" (Heb. xii. 2)

A Place of Service—An High Priest (Heb. viii. 1)

41 Four Great Gospel Facts

Christ DIED for our sins (I Cor. xv. 3)
He was RAISED for our Justification (Rom. iv. 25)
He ever LIVETH to make Intercession (Rom. viii. 34)
He will COME again to receive us (John xiv. 3)

42 Christ's Gifts to us

He giveth His Life for the Sheep (John x. 15)
He gives His Peace to His People (John xiv. 27)
He gives the Word to His Disciples (John xvii. 14)
He gives strength to the Weak (2 Cor. xii. 9)
He will give Glory to all His own (Psa. lxxxiv. 11)

43 Two Decisions

"I will go" (Gen. xxiv. 45)

"I will not go" (Num. x. 30)

Rebekah's choice is like the soul accepting Christ
Hobab's refusal is like the Christ rejecter

44 Opened

EARS to hear the Word (Isa. l. 4)
SCRIPTURES to make it known (Luke xxiv. 32)
UNDERSTANDING to perceive it (Luke xxiv. 45)
HEART to receive it (Acts xvi. 14)
LIPS to confess it (Psa. li. 15)

45 The Sinner's Attitude toward God

EARS stopped, not to hear the Word (Zech. vii. 11) EYES CLOSED, against the Light (Acts xxviii. 27) Back turned to God (Jer. ii. 27)

46 Three Great "Beholds"

"Behold the Man" (John xix. 5)—For Scorn

"Behold the Lamb" (John i. 29)—For Salvation

"Behold My Hands" (John xx. 27)—For Peace

47 Five "Faithful Sayings"

Of the Sinner's Salvation (I Tim. i. 15)

Of the Saint's Sanctification (I Tim. iv. II)

Of the Worker's Service (I Tim. iii. I)

Of the Believer's Standard (Tit. iii. 8)

Of the Christian's Suffering (2 Tim. ii. 11)

48 Now

NOW is the day of Salvation (2 Cor. vi. 2)

NOW the time of Justification (Rom. v. 9)

Now there is no Condemnation (Rom. viii. 1)

49 How God Disposes of Sins

He laid them upon the Sin-bearer (Isa. liii. 6)

He forgives them to the Believer (Eph. i. 7)

He blots them out of His sight (Isa. xliv. 22)

He removes them far away (Psa. ciii. 12)

He casts them behind His back (Mic. vii. 19)

He remembers them no more (Heb. x. 17)

50 Great Manifestations

LIFE was manifested in Christ's path (John i. 5)

LOVE was manifested in Christ's death (I John iv. 9)

LIGHT was manifested in Christ's resurrection (2 Tim. i. 10)

LONG-SUFFERING is manifested in Christ's enthronement (2 Pet. iii. 9)

51 Full Redemption

"By Christ" at the Cross (I Pet. i. 19)

"In Christ" on the Throne (Rom. iii. 24)

"With Christ" at His coming (Rom. viii. 23)

52 The Man, Christ Jesus

The Testimony of many Witnesses

- THE OFFICERS: "Never man spake like this Man" (John vii. 46)
- THE ROBBER: "The Man hath done nothing amiss" (Luke xxiii. 41)
- THE SCRIBES: "This Man receiveth sinners" (Luke xv. 2)
- THE CENTURION: "This was a righteous Man" (Luke xxiii: 47)
- THE PEOPLE: "We will not have this Man" (Luke xix. 14)
- THE DOORKEEPER: "Art thou one of this Man's disciples? (John xviii. 17)

53 Looking unto Jesus

As the Saviour, lifted up (Isa. xlv. 22; John iii. 14)

As the Forerunner, Glorified (Heb. xii. 2)

As the Example, Walking (John i. 36)

As the Hope, Coming (Pet. ii. 13)

54 Three Striking Facts

- "Without shedding of BLOOD" there is no COMING to God (Heb. ix. 22)
- "Without FAITH" there is no PLEASING of God (Heb. xi. 6)
- "Without HOLINESS" there is no SEEING of God (Heb. xii. 14)

55 Christ's Three Crowns

Of Thorns (John xix. 2)—The Cross

Of Glory (Heb. ii. 9)—The Throne

Of Kingly Power (Rev. xix. 9)—The Kingdom

The first was a Crown of Mockery The second is a Crown of Victory The third is a Diadem of Power

56 A True Christian

Is made so by receiving and confessing Christ

By Persuasion, he is Converted (Acts xxvi. 29)

By Calling, he is Named (Acts xi. 26)

By Suffering, he is Proved (I Pet. iv. 16)

These are the only passages in which the word appears

57 Dead

Dead in Sin (Eph. ii. 1)—The Sinner's State
Dead for Sin (I Cor. xv. 3)—The Saviour's Work
Dead to Sin (Rom. vi. 1)—The Christian's Position

58 The Joy of the Lord

In a Sinner's Salvation (Luke xv.)
In a Saint's Preservation (Zeph. iii. 17)
In a Disciple's Fruitfulness (John xv. 24)
In His People's Presentation (Jude 24)

59 The Gospel Proclaims

PARDON for the Past (Isa. lv. 7)
POWER for the Present (2 Cor. xii. 9)
PARADISE for the Future (Luke xxiii. 43)

- I. Salvation from the Penalty of Sin
- 2. Deliverance from the Practice of Sin
- 3. Freedom from the Presence of Sin

60 The Sinner

Is described in God's Word as

- A REBEL needing Reconciliation (Rom. v. 10; Col. i. 21)
- A STRANGER needing Regeneration (Eph. ii. 12; John iii. 7)
- A BOND SLAVE needing Redemption (John viii. 34; Eph. i. 7)

61 False Repentance

"I have sinned"—These words were uttered without repentance by PHARAOH, the hardened sinner (Exod. x. 16)
BALAAM, the religious money lover (Num. xxii. 34)
ACHAN, the covetous Israelite (Josh. vii. 20)
JUDAS, the devil-possessed traitor (Matt. xxvii. 4)

Who all perished in their sin. Beacons, which may be used for the warning of others pursuing the same path

62 True Repentance

"I have sinned—These words were uttered sincerely by

DAVID, convicted of his guilt (2 Sam. xii. 13)
THE PRODIGAL convinced of his folly (Luke xv. 18)

SINNERS, confessing their need (Job xxxiii. 27)

Resulting in each case in forgiveness, reconciliation, and redemption. Such are the blessings of the saved sinner now (Eph. i. 7; Rom. v. 10)

63 Personal Questions

Where art thou? (Gen. iii. 9)—To the Sinner hiding from God

What hast thou done? (Gen. iv. 10)—To the Murderer of his Brother

What think ye of Christ? (Matt. xxii. 42)—To the Religious, but Unsaved Sinner

64 Fourfold View of a Sinner

Dead in Sin (Eph. ii. 1)—Separated from God Walking in Darkness (John xii. 35)—Wandering from God

Living in Rebellion (Rom. v. 10)—At Enmity with God

Despising the Gospel (2 Thess. ii. 8)—Fighting against God

65 Divine Love

MANIFESTED, in the sending of Christ (I John iv. 9) COMMENDED, in the Death of Christ (Rom. v. 8) DESPISED, in the rejection of Christ (2 Thess. ii. 10)

66 Fourfold View of a Christian

A Sinner saved by Grace (I Tim. i. 15; Eph. ii. 8)

A Son born into God's Family (I John i. 12; I John iii. 2)

A Saint called to Holiness (Rom. i. 6; Eph. v. 3)

A Servant to work for Christ (John xii. 26; Col. iii. 24)

67 True Conversion

May be described as

Repentance toward God, in Mind (Acts xx. 21)
Receiving from God, His Gift (John i. 12)
Returning to God, in Way (Psa. cxix. 59)
Relying on God, in Faith (2 Tim. i. 10)

68 Fourfold View of Christ

Son of God, Revealed the Father (John i. 18) Son of Man, Seeking the Lost (Luke xix. 10) Sacrifice for Sin (I Pet. iii. 18) Saviour of Sinners (I Tim. i. 15)

69 Man in Four Conditions

REVEALING his Creator—Likeness in *Innocency* (Gen. i. 26)

RUINED by Satan—Fallen under Sin (Rom. v. 12)

REDEEMED by the Death of Christ—In Grace (Gal. iii. 13)

REGENERATED by the Holy Spirit—Through Faith (Tit. iii. 5)

70 Himself

The Person of Christ and His Work

- "Himself took part of the same" (Heb. ii. 14)—
 Incarnation
- "He gave Himself for me" (Gal. ii. 20)—Substitution
- "By Himself purged our sins" (Heb. i. 3)—Purification
- "To present to Himself the Church" (Eph. v. 27)—
 Glorification

71 Things Eternal

Eternal Redemption (Heb. ix. 12)—Through Christ's Death

Eternal Salvation (Heb. v. 9)—By Christ's Power Eternal Life (Rom. vi. 3 R. V.)—In Christ Risen Eternal Glory (I Pet. v. 10)—Awaiting Christ's own

72 The Blood of Christ

What it does for all who believe

It is the Cause of Justification (Rom. v. 9)
It is the Ground of Peace (Col. i. 20)
It is the Price of Redemption (Eph. i. 7).
It is the means of Sanctification (Heb. x. 10)
It is the Power for Victory (Rev. xii. II, 12)

73 Joy

Joy of Christ in Redemption (Matt. xiii. 20)
Joy in Heaven over Sinners Saved (Luke xv. 7)
Joy on Earth by the Gospel (Acts viii. 8)
Joy in the Heart (Rom. xx. 13)—By Faith
Joy Unspeakable (I Pet. i. 8)—In Trial

74 To A11

LOVE, the Attitude of God (John iii. 16)—To All LIFE, the Free Gift of God (Rom. vii. 23)—For All LIBERTY, Proclaimed in the Gospel (Acts xxviii. 18) Unto All

75 Things Worth Taking

Take the WATER of Life (Rev. xxii. 17)—For Salvation

Take hold of INSTRUCTION (Prov. iv. 13)—For Edification

Take Christ's YOKE (Matt. xi. 29)—In Submission Take up the CROSS (Mark viii. 34)—In Discipleship Take the ARMOUR of God (Eph. vi. 13)—In Defence

76 What the Blood of Christ Does

It has made Peace (Col. i. 20)

It has procured Redemption (Eph. i. 7)

It is the cause of Justification (Rom. v. 9)

It looses from Sin's Power (Rev. i. 7)

It cleanses from Sin's Pollution (I John i. 7)

It gives entrance to God's Presence (Heb. x. 19)

77 Christ Unchanging

Christ as FOUNDATION (I Pet. ii. 6)—Can never be moved

Christ as LIFE (Col. iii. 4)—Can never be forfeited Christ as Peace (Eph. ii. 14)—Can never be broken Christ as HOPE (I Tim. i. I)—Can never be lost

78 Three Great Transitions

From Death to Life (John v. 24)
From Darkness to Light (I Pet. ii. 9)
From Satan to God (Acts xxvi. 18)

79 The Saviour

A Saviour Born (Luke ii. 11)—Incarnation

A Saviour Sent (John iii. 17)—Salvation

A Saviour Suffering (Matt. xxvii. 42)—Substitution

A Saviour Risen (Acts xiii. 23)—In Life

A Saviour Exalted (Acts v. 31)—In Power

A Saviour Coming (Phil. iii. 20)—In Glory

80 All Nations

God will have all men to be Saved (I Tim. ii. 4)
The Ransom of Christ is for all (I Tim. ii. 6)
The Gospel is preached to all Nations (Matt. xxviii. 19)
The Saved are from all Kingdoms (Rev. vii. 9)

81 Work and Wages

Wages of Sin (Rom. vi. 23)

Wages of Unrighteousness (2 Pet. ii. 15)

Wages of Christ Rejection (Rev. xx. 12)

Wages of Faithful Service (John iv. 36)

82 How the Lord Keeps

Those who put their trust in Him

As a Deposit in a Bank (2 Tim. i. 12)—Securely As a Shepherd his Sheep (Jer. xxxi. 10)—Faithfully As a Watchman his Charge (Psa. cxxi. 3)—Wakefully As the Apple of the Eye (Deut. xxxii. 10)—Tenderly

83 Three Titles of Christ

The Dayspring (Luke i. 78)—At Birth

The Daysman (Job ix. 33)—In Death

The Day Star (2 Pet. i. 19)—At His Advent

The First has reference to His coming in Grace The Second connects with His Sacrificial Death The Third points on to His coming in Glory

84 Christ, our Captain

The same word is rendered "Captain" (Heb. ii. 10); "Prince" (Acts iii. 15); "Author" (Heb. xii. 2). He originates, works out, goes before, takes command, and leads on to victory.

His Infinite Wisdom (I Cor. i. 24, 30)

His Unfailing Resources (Eph. iii. 8)

His Supreme Authority (Matt. xxviii. 18)

His Almighty Power (Heb. i. 3)

His Mighty Triumph (2 Cor. ii. 14, R.V.)

His Ultimate Victory (I Cor. xv. 57)

85 The Word of God

And its power in those that believe

As the Ingrafted Word received, it Saves (Jas. i. 21)

As the Incorruptible Word believed, it Regenerates (1 Pet. i. 21)

As the Cleansing Word submitted to, it Purifies (John xv. 3)

As the Sanctifying Word obeyed, it Separates (John xvii. 17)

86 Sheep

Sheep going astray (Isa. liii. 6)

Sheep sought and found (Luke xv. 7, 10)

Sheep returned to the Shepherd (I Pet. ii. 25)

Sheep in Green Pastures (Psa. xxiii. 2)

87 The Sinner and the Saviour

The Sinner's Need: the Saviour's Fulness

Hungry—Christ is Bread (John vi. 33)

Thirsty—Christ is Drink (John vi. 55)

Naked—Christ is Righteousness (Jer. xxxiii. 16)

Ignorant—Christ is Wisdom (I Cor. i. 30)

Poor—Christ is Riches (Eph. iii. 8)

88 Things Worth "Laying Up"

Treasures in Heaven (Matt. vi. 20)

Word of God in the Heart (Job xxii. 22) Goodness to them that fear God (Psa. xxxi. 19) Hope laid up in Heaven (Col. i. 5) A Crown of Righteousness (2 Tim. iv. 8)

89 Eternal Realities

Saved with an Eternal Salvation (Heb. v. 9)
Possessors of Eternal Life (I John v. 13)
Passing on to an Eternal Inheritance (Heb. ix. 15)
Called to an Eternal Glory (1 Pet. v. 10)
Dwelling in an Eternal House (2 Cor. v. 1)

90 In Heaven

A Father in Heaven (Matt. v. 16)—By Regeneration A Name written in Heaven (Luke x. 20)—By Grace A Citizenship in Heaven (Phil. iii. 20)—By Calling An Inheritance in Heaven (I Pet. i. 4)—By Faith

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God's Way

of Salvation (Acts xvi. 17)
of Life (Jer. xxi. 8)
of Peace (Luke i. 79)

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Four Gospel R's

UIN—"Labour and heavy laden" (Matt. xi. 28) EMEDY—"I will give you rest" (Matt. xi. 28) ECEPTION—" Rest on Words" (2 Chr. xxxii. 8) EJECTION—"Ye will not come" (John v. 40)

93

Some Bible "Be's"

ye reconciled (2 Cor. v. 20)—As Enemies ye saved (Isa. xlv. 22)—As Sinners ye holy (I Pet. i. 15)—As Saints ye ready (Matt. xxiv. 44)—As Servants

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Bible Books

AW (Gal. iii. 10)—brings the Curse IFE (Phil. iv. 3)—Family Register ABOUR (Rev. xxii. 10)—of Reward

- I. The Law condemns, but cannot give Life
- 2. God gives Life as a Free Gift
- 3. Grace rewards all true Labour for Christ

95 Christ the Saviour

ROMISED (Gen. iii. 15)—in Eden ROVIDED (Luke ii. 11)—at Bethlehem RESENTED (Luke ii. 22)—at Jerusalem REACHED (Acts v. 31)—to All Mankind

96 Right Ways

TO APPINESS (Psa. cxix. 1)
OF OF OLINESS (Isa. xxxv. 8)

97 Great Redemption

Redeemed By Christ's Blood (1 Pet. i. 19) From all Iniquity (Tit. ii. 14) Unto God (Rev. v. 9)

Jesus and the Children

(Mark x. 13-16)

NXIOUS Mothers, bringing Children to Jesus NGRY Disciples, sending away from Jesus LLURING Saviour, welcoming and blessing

99 Great Invitations

100 Christ the Shepherd

GOOD Shepherd (John x. II) Died (Heb.xiii.20) Lives (I Pet. v. 4) Comes

101 Peace

PROCURED at the Cross (Col. i. 20)
ROCLAIMED in the Gospel (Acts x. 36)
OSSESSED by Faith (Rom. v. 1)

102 Life

ORFEITED by Sin (Rom. v. 12)
OUND in Christ (I John v. 11)
REE Gift of God (Rom. vi. 23)

103 The Lost Sheep

TRAYING EEKING HEEP (Luke xv. 4)—Sinner
HEPHERD (Luke xv. 4)—Saviour
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104 New Things

A New

Covenant by Redemption (Heb. ix. 15)
Creature by Regeneration (2 Cor.v.17)
Song in Resurrection Life (Psa. xl. 13)
Walk in Righteousness (Psa. xxiii. 4)

105 Children

of Wrath (Ep. ii. 2) by Nature of Disobedience(Ep.ii.3)inPractice of God (Gal. iii. 23) by Faith

106 The Love of God

NDESERVED (I John iv. 10)
NASKED (Rom. v. 8)
NENDING (Jer. xxxi. 3)

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Saviour

MY

(Luke ii. II)—Provided AVIOUR (John iv. 42)—Presented (Luke i. 47)—Possessed

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The Lost Silver

(Luke xv. 8-2)

OST in the House—The Sinner Dead, Helpless IGHTED Candle—The Word used by the Spirit OOKED for Diligently—The Soul-winner's Work ABOUR Rewarded—Found, Converted, Restored

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Great Truths

EGENERATION by the Spirit (John iii. 5) ESURRECTION by the Lord (Rom. vi. 4) ESTORATION to the Father (Luke xv. 24)

- I. New Birth—the beginning of Christian Life
- 2. New Walk—the evidence of having New Life
- 3. Relation and Communion—the result of Conversion

110

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AMP of Life (Psa. cxix. 105)—To Guide IGHTHOUSE of Truth (Psa. xix. II)—To Warn ETTER of Grace (Luke xiv. 17)—To Invite IBRARY of Wisdom (2 Tim. iii. 16)—To Enlighten

111

God's Great Things

REAT

Salvation of God (Heb. ii. 3)

GRACE on Believers (Acts iv. 33)

GULF fixed (Luke xvi. 26)

112 Great Gospel Truths

UIN by Sin (Rom. v. 7) EDEMPTION by Blood (Eph. i. 7) ECEPTION by Faith (John i. 12)

113 From Condemnation to Liberty

IN'S Wages (Rom. vi. 23)—The Sinner's Due ATAN'S Power (Heb. ii. 18)—Sinner's Slavery AVIOUR'S Triumph (Heb. ii. 14)—The Cross INNER'S Deliverance (Col. i. 13)—Conversion

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Saved Singing Singing

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commended by Jesus

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Some Bible Birds

SACRIFICED (Lev. xiv. 4) SENT Forth (Gen. viii. 9)
SPREADING Wings (Deut. SPREADING Wings (Deut. xxxii. 11)

- I. Type of Christ's Sacrifice—for Pardon
- 2. Emblem of Resurrection—for Peace
- 3. Symbol of Salvation—for Power

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Mounts of Scripture

of Substitution (Gen. xxii. I-I4) of Instruction (Matt. v. I) of Transfiguration (Matt. xvii. I)

- I. The Sinner's Salvation—Procured
- 2. The Disciple's Instruction—Provided
- 3. The Glory to be Revealed,—Prefigured

117 Some Bible Doors

(John x. 9)—To Enter (Rev. iii. 20)—To Open (Luke xiii. 25)—To Exclude A Closed

- Christ the Only Way to God—Door of Salvation
 Christ seeks an Entrance—Door of Acceptance
- 3. Christ rises for Judgment—Door of Mercy closed

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Scripture Banners

Gospel
Christian's
Warrior's

ANNER
of Love (Song ii. 5)
of Truth (Psa. xx. 5)
of Victory (Ex. xvii. 5)

- I. Under Love's Banner, Confiding—the Believing Sinner is Safe
- 2. Holding forth God's Truth—The Christian is Strong
- 3. Fighting behind Jehovah's Name—The Victory is Sure

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Honey Lessons

Honey in The Flower (Jer. xli. 8) in The Comb (Prov. xvi. 24) in The Mouth (Ezek. iii. 3)

- 1. Like the Gospel Promised
- 2. Like the Gospel Proclaimed
- 3. Like the Gospel *Possessed*

120

Darkness and Light

of the Saviour (Mark xv. 33) The Deliverance (I Pet. ii. 9)

of Sin (Psa. cvii. 10)

The Sinner's Doom (Jude 13)

- 1. The State of all by Nature (Eph. v. 8)
- 2. The Sign of Sin's Judgment (Luke xxiii. 45)
- 3. The Great Transition (Col. i. 13)
- 4. The Galling Chains (2 Pet. 2)

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Christ Our Rock

of Salvation (2 Sam. xxii. 47)

of Shelter (Isa. xxxii. 2) of Stability (Psa. xl. 2) of Song (Isa. xlii. 11)

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Christ's Ability

to Save (Heb. vii. 25) to Succour (Heb. ii. 18) to Subdue (Phil. iii. 21).

I. He Saves Sinners (I Tim. i. 15)

2. He Succours His own (2 Cor. vi. 2)

3. He Subdues all (I Cor. xv. 28)

123 Three "Musts" for Sinners

Die (2 Sam. xiv. 14)
be Born Again (John iii. 7)
be Saved (Acts iv. 12)

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2. Because of our Condition by Nature (Eph. ii. I)

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L be "Lifted up" in Death (John iii. 14) be "Raised" to Life (Matt. xvi. 21)
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126 Christ's Coming in Judgment upon Sinners will be WIFT as the Lightning (Matt. xxiv. 27). UDDEN as the Flood 39 URE as the Word 35 ECRET as the Thief 27 127 Divers Ways of Death (Prov. xiv. 12) of Life (Jer. xxi. 8) of Holiness (Isa. xxxv. 8) of Happiness (Prov. iii. 17) Three States of Soul 128 IN of the ALVATION of the ATISFACTION of the Sin 129 Committed (I John iii. 8) Concealed (Prov. xxxiii. 13) Confessed (I John i. 9) Cancelled (Psa. xxxii. 2) 130 The Love of God DESERVED (I John iv. 10) ASKED (Rom. v. 8) MEASURED (Eph. ii. 4) RESERVED (John iii. 16)

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131 Flowers and Their Messages

Wild Flowers—Man in Nature (Psa. ciii. 15)
Sweet Flowers—An Emblem of Christ (Song v. 13)
Spring Flowers—New Life in the Soul (Song ii. 12)
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132 Trusters in Christ

As Conies in the Rock (Psa. civ. 18)—Hiding in Christ

As Dove in the Ark (Gen. viii. 9)—Resting on Christ As Spider in the Palace (Prov. xxx. 28)—Clinging to Christ

133 Four Hearts

A Deceitful Heart (Jer. xvii. 9)—To Depart from God

A Believing Heart (Rom. x. 9)—To Trust in God

A Purified Heart (Acts xv. 9)—To Love God

A True Heart (Heb. x. 22)—To Worship God

134 Scripture Nails

Nail of Justice (Judg. v. 26)—Brings Death

Nails of Sacrifice (John xx. 25)—Procures Life

Nail of Suretyship (Col. ii. 14)—Proclaims Forgiveness

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135 Emblems of Faith

Faith's *Heart* trusts Christ's Work (Isa. liii. 5)
Faith's *Ear* hears Christ's Words (John v. 24)
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136 To What the Sinner is Likened

A Wild Colt (Job xi. 12)—State by Birth A Black Ethiopian (Jer. xiii. 23)—Condition by Nature

A Spotted Leopard (Jer. xiii. 23)—Cannot be altered A Named Sheep (John x. 27)—Saved by Grace

137 Emblems of the Saviour

A LAMB Without Blemish (I Pet. i. 19), Our Sacrifice
In Nature and Position before God

A BIRD Alive and Clean (Lev. xiv. 4), Our Substitute
In Life and Character before Men

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138 Lesson on Leaves

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Driven Leaves (Job xiii. 21)—Divine Retribution
Healing Leaves (Rev. xxii. 2)—Christ's Power
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139 Bible Stars

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140 Bible Gates

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A Gate of Thanksgiving (Psa. c. 4)—For Praise

A Gate of Pearl (Rev. xxi. 21)—For Glory

141 Bible Doors

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142 Scripture Seals

Sin Sealed for Judgment (Job xiv. 17)
Saviour Sealed for Service (John vi. 27)
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143 Snow Lessons

Snow White Leper (2 Kings v. 27)—The Sinner's State

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144 Worms

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A Barren Tree (Matt. xxi. 19)—Empty Profession

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A Burning Lamp (Psa. cxix. 105)—The Word

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The Sequel—Stolen by Satan (Ver. 19)

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148 A Sparrow Lesson

Worthless in Value (Matt. x. 29)

Cared for by God (Luke xii. 6)

Redeemed and Liberated (Lev. xiv. 4, 6)

A Home in God's Temple (Psa. lxxxiv. 3)

Emblematic of the Sinner in nature, redeemed, liberated, resting in Christ, and at home with God

149 The Swallow

A Restless Bird, like the Sinner (Isa. lvii. 20)

A Mourning Bird, like the Sad (Isa. xxxviii. 14)

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A Migrating Bird, leaving for other Climes (Phil.i. 23)

150 The Dove

A Restless Dove, in a doomed World (Gen. viii. 8)

A Sheltered Dove, in the Ark (Gen. viii. 11)

A Dove in the Cleft of a Rock (Jer. xlviii. 28)

A Dove Fleeing Away (Psa. lv. 6)

Emblematic of the Soul in the World, in Christ, in Safety, in Heaven

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Sinai, the Law (Exod. xx.)—Conviction Ebal, the Curse (Deut. xi.)—Condemnation Moriah, the Altar (Gen. xxii.)—Substitution Zion, the Blessing (Psa. cxxxiii.)—Life Olivet, the Kingdom (Zech. xiv.)—Glory

152 Bundles

Bundle of Sticks (Acts xxvii. 3)—Death by Sin Bundle of Life (I Sam, xxv. 29)—Life in Christ Bundle of Myrrh (Song i. 13)—Communion Bundle of Tares (Matt. xiii. 30)—Judgment

153 Steps on Faith's Ladder

Object: A Ladder of Five Steps, each of different colour
No Faith (Mark iv. 40)
Little Faith (Matt. vi. 30)
Great Faith (Matt. viii. 10)
Strong in Faith (Rom. iv. 20)
Full of Faith (Acts vi. 5)

154 Christ for Me

On His Shoulder (Luke xv. 5)—Rescued In His Hand (John x. 27)—Secure At His Feet (Luke x. 39)—Learning On His Bosom (John xiii. 23)—Communing

155 Links in Love's Chain

Object: A Chain of varied coloured Links, with these words on each, may be used for an Object Lesson

No Love (John v. 40)
Little Love (Luke vii. 47)
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156 A Rainbow Lesson

As seen by Noah, Sign of God's Covenant, in Grace As seen by Ezekiel, Pledge of God's Faithfulness, in Government

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The "Bow" in the Cloud tells of Judgment past
The "Bow" in the Heavens, of continued Mercy
The "Bow" around the Throne, of endless Glory

157 Night Scenes

A Night of Awakening and Conversion (

A Night of Awakening and Conversion (Acts xvi. 25, 34)

A Night of Betrayal and Remorse (John xiii. 20) A Night of Arousing and Alarm (Matt. xxv. 6)

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Blacker than Coal (Lam. iv. 8)—A Sinner by Nature Whiter than Snow (Psa. li. 7)—Cleansed by Blood Brighter than the Stars (Dan. xii. 3)—In Glory

159 Noble Trees

Emblems of True Christian Life

The Goodly CEDAR, deeply rooted, long lived (Psa. civ. 16)

The Upright PALM, lofty, stately, green (Psa. xcii. 12)
The Green OLIVE, ever fresh, yielding oil (Psa. lii. 8)
The Fruitful VINE, planted, pruned, profitable
(John xv. 11)

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Which the Soul may experience
Grace Received (2 Cor. vi. I)—In Salvation
Abundant Grace (Rom. v. 17)—For Life
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161 Heart Conditions

HARD Heart of Unbelief (Mark viii. 17)
OPENED Heart, in Anxiety (Acts xvi. 14)
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163 Conies

Unclean by Nature (Lev. xi. 5) Feeble in State (Prov. xxx. 26) Secure in Rock (Psa. civ. 18)

In these three particulars they represent the Sinner

- 1. In Guilt (Isa. lxiv. 6)
- 2. In Weakness (Rom. v. 6)
- 3. In Christ (Psa. xciv. 22

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164 Adam, the First Man

(Read Gen. ii., iii.; Rom. v. 12, 18)

Formed in God's Image (Gen. i. 26)—Innocent Fell by Disobedience (Gen. iii. 6)—Ruined Forbidden to eat of Tree (Gen. ii. 17)—Tried Forfeited Life and Place (Gen. iii. 24)—Expelled

165 The Promised Deliverer

(Gen. iii. 15; Luke ii. 11; Gal. iv. 4)

Seed of the Woman—Christ as Man Son of God—Christ as Divine

Satan's Overcomer—Christ as Victor
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166 The Home in Eden

(Gen. ii. 6, 15; Rev. xxii. 1, 14)

Prepared by God (Ver. 8; Heb. xi. 16)

Provided for Man (Ver. 8: John xiv. 2)

Place of Delight (Ver. 8; Psa. xvi. 11)

Promise to Overcomer (Ver. 9; Rev. ii. 7)
Justice, excluded fallen man from Eden
Grace, admits saved man to Heaven
Glory, is secured for ever, in Christ

167 Aprons and Coats

(Gen. iii. 7, 21; Phil. iii. 9; 2 Cor. v. 21)

Afraid of God—The Sinner's Dread
Hiding from Him—A False Refuge
Fig Leaf Aprons—Man's own Work
Coats of Skin—Sacrifice and Salvation
Covered and Accepted—Imputed Righteousness

168 Cain, the First Formalist

(Gen. iv. 1, 16; I John iii. 12; Jude 11)

Born, a Fallen Sinner-His Ruin

Brought a Bloodless Offering—His Religion

Disowned his State—His Pride

Denied the Atonement—His Unbelief

Angry at God's Approval—His Envy

Slays his Brother—His Crime

Despises God's Offered Mercy—His Choice

Goes out from God's Presence—His End

169 Abel, the First Martyr

(Gen. iv. 1, 8; Heb. xi. 4, xii. 24; John iii. 12)

A Confessed Sinner (Job xl. 4)

A Believing Offerer (Isa. liii. 5)

Accepted in his Substitute (Eph. i. 6)

A Justified Man (Acts xiii. 39)

A Suffering Saint (I Pet. ii. 21)

170 Enoch, who did not Die

(Gen. v. 21, 24; Heb. xi. 5; Jude 14)

The Times he lived in (vi. 5, with 2 Pet. iii. 3, 4)

Date of his Conversion (v. 22, with John iii. 7)

His Walk with God (Ver. 24, with I John i. 7)

His Testimony for God (Jude 14, with John xv. 27)

His Translation to God (Ver. 23, with I Thess. iv. 17)

171 The Old World's Wickedness

(Gen. vi. 1, 13; Luke xvii. 26; 2 Pet. iii. 5, 6)

Great Men of Renown (2 Tim. iii. 2)

Great Sinners before God (Jer. ii. 22)

Disregarded God's Claim (Psa. lxxiii. 8)

Disbelieved God's Judgment (2 Pet. iii. 4)

Their Folly was great (Matt. xxiv. 38)

The Doom was Sudden (Matt. xxiv. 39)

172 The Ark of Safety

(Gen. vi. 14; vii. 15; viii. 6, 16)

The Place of Safety—"Make thee an Ark" (vi. 14)
The Divine Invitation—"Come" (vii. 1)
The Ready Response—"They went in" (vii. 15)
The Great Security—"The Lord shut him in" (vii. 16)
The Call to Liberty—"Go Forth" (viii. 16)

173 The Rainbow, the Covenant, and the Promise

(Gen. ix. 8, 17; Isa. liv. 9)

The Covenant of God (Ver. 9)—In Grace The Sign thereof (Ver. 13)—The Bow The Seal of it (Ver. 15)—His Word

174 Abram, the Pilgrim

(Gen. xii. 1; Heb. xi. 8)

The Lord's Call (Ver. I)—The Gospel Faith's Response (Ver. 4)—Conversion The Promised Presence (Ver. 7)—Blessing The First Difficulty (Ver. 10)—Trial

175 Sodom and its Doom

(Gen. xviii. 20, xix. 17, 25; Luke xvii. 29)

The Doomed City—Type of the World (Ver. 20)
The Earnest Intercessor—Abraham prayed (Ver. 23)
The Divine Deliverance—"Bring them out" (xix. 12)
The Way of Escape—"Escape for thy Life" (Ver. 17)
The Procrastinator—Lot's Wife (Ver. 26)
The Place of Safety—Zoar (Ver. 23)

176 The Sacrifice on Moriah

(Gen. xxii. 1, 14; Heb. xi. 17)

The Father who gave (John iii. 16)

The Obedient Son, who Yielded (Isa. liii. 7)

The Altar on the Hill (Luke xxiii. 33)

The Uplifted Knife (Zech. xiii. 7)

The Cords Unloosed (Acts ii. 24)

The Only Begotten Raised (Heb. xi. 19)

Return to the Father's House (John xiv. 2)

177 The Winning of the Bride

(Gen. xxiv.; Matt. xxii. 1; Acts xv. 14; 1 Pet. i. 12)

The Father and Son in Hebron (Ver. 1, 6)—Heaven

The Servant sent Forth (Ver. 10, 12)—The Spirit's Work

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The Jewels and Raiment (Ver. 53)—The Gospel's Blessing

The Great Decision (Ver. 58)—The Heart Won

The Homeward Journey (Ver. 60, 61)—From Cross to Glory

The Meeting (Ver. 68, 69)—The Second Advent

178 Joseph like Jesus

(Gen. xxxvii. to xli.; Psa. cv. 17)

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The Object of his Brothers' Hatred (Ver. 4; Jno xv. 23)

Rejected and Sold (Ver. 28; Matt. xxvii. 28)

Accused and Condemned (xxxix. 19; Mark xiv. 56)

Numbered with Transgressors (Ver. 20; Luke xxiii. 39, 41)

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Saviour and Lord (Ver. 46; Acts ii. 36, iv. 12)

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179 The Babe in the Bulrushes

(Exod. il. 1, 10; Heb. xl. 23; Acts vii. 20)

- A Cruel Edict (Chap. i. 22)—The Sentence of Death (Heb. ii. 14)
- A Beautiful Child (Acts vii. 20)—An Object of Love (John iii. 16)
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180 Slavery in Egypt

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181 Egypt's First-Born Slain

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182 The Passover and its Lessons

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The Lamb Kept (Ver. 5)—Christ in Life (Matt. iii. 17)

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183 The Redeemed of the Lord

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A Satisfied People (Ver. 8, with John vi. 53)

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184 The Passage of the Red Sea

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185 Salvation and its Song

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186 Daily Bread in the Desert

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187 Streams in the Wilderness

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188 The First Battle

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189 The Law from Sinai

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190 The Hebrew Servant's Love

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192 The Gate of the Court

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193 The Altar and the Sacrifice

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195 The Laver and its Water

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196 The Leper, His Place and Cry

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197 The Leper's Cleansing

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203 Achan, the Deceiver

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204 Gideon, the Brave Soldier

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207 David, the Shepherd Lad

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208 David, the Victor

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209 David and Jonathan

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210 Mephibosheth, the Lame Prince

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211 Absalom, the Rebel

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213 The Queen of Sheba

(2 Chron. ix. I, 12)

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She met a Wise King—Type of Christ

She opened her Heart—Her Honesty

She asked many Questions—Her Anxiety

She heard his Word—Her Faith

She beheld his Glory—Her Heart Won

She became a Giver-Her Gratitude

In all these, she is a fine illustration of a sinner disturbed, awakened, hearing of Christ, going to Him, hearing His Word, seeing His Glory, surrendering the heart to Him, and confessing "the half hath not been told."

214 Good King Hezekiah

(2 Chron. xxix. I, 19)

His Parents were Idolaters—A Bad Example
He Lived in a Dark Time—A Day of Iniquity
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215 Josiah, the Young Reformer

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216 Daniel, the Faithful Witness

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217 Three Noble Princes

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218 Naaman, the Leper

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219 Elijah on Carmel

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220 The Widow's Pot of Oil

(2 Kings iv. I, 7)

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- A Source of Supply (Ver. 2)—The Gospel of God (Tit. ii. 11)
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222 Christ in Humiliation and Glory

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223 The Words of God

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224 Two Kinds of Hearts

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225 Christ, the Believer's Portion

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227 A Wonderful Saviour

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228 The Power of His Word

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232 The Voice of the Lord

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234 The Sinner Forgiven

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237 The King and the Kingdom

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239 Three Great Gospel Facts

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240 Conviction, Cleansing, Contrition

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241 The Godless Man

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242 The Name of the Lord

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243 The Higher Rock

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244 A Temple Psalm

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- I. Passing through the one "Door" (John x. 9)
- 2. Trusting in the one "Sacrifice" (Heb. x. 12)
- 3. In Subjection to the one "Lord" (Eph. iv. 5)

245 The People of God

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A Singing People (Ver. 2)

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I. Having: Christ as their Saviour (Luke i. 47)

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3. The Living Lord, the Object of their Worship (Luke xxiv. 52)
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248 The Exalted Christ

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A PRIEST to Succour and Sustain (Ver. 1. 4)

A KING to Rule and Reign (Ver. 2, 3)

A JUDGE to Pardon or Punish (Ver. 5, 6)

1. "We have such a Great High Priest (Heb. viii. 2)

2. "The Lord is our King" (Isa. xxxiii. 22)

3. "God shall Judge the Secrets of Men by Jesus Christ" (Rom. ii. 10)

249 Creation and Redemption

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250 Experiences of the Soul

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251 The Keeper and the Kept

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A Mighty Helper (Ver. 2)

A Strong Supporter (Ver. 3)

A Watchful Keeper (Ver. 4)

A Sheltering Shade (Ver. 5)

A Soul Preserver (Ver. 7)

An Eternal Protector (Ver. 8)

252 A Song of Deliverance

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A Joyful Deliverance (Ver. 1)
A Gladsome Confession (Ver. 2)
An Earnest Supplication (Ver. 3)
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253 The Backslider's Wail

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Captives in Babylon (Ver. 1)—No Rest Harps on the Willows (Ver. 2)—No Song Scorned by Captors (Ver. 3)—No Testimony Condition Felt (Ver. 4)—Conviction Home Remembered (Ver. 5)—Restoration

254 From Nature to God

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Brevity of Human Life—"A Shadow" (Ver. 4)
Might of Delivering Power—"Thine Hand" (Ver. 7)
Praise for God's Salvation—"A New Song" (Ver. 9)
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255 The Mighty God

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256 The Last "Hallelujah"

(Psalm cl.)

Praise of Worshippers, in the Sanctuary (Ver. I) Praise of Angels, in the Heavens (Ver. I) Praise of Beholders, for His Works (Ver. 2) Praise of Admirers, in His Person (Ver. 2) Praise of all Creation, Universal (Ver. 6)

PEBBLES FROM THE PROPHETS

257 An Utter Ruin

(The Sinner described in Isa. i. 6)

The Head Sick—Sin in Thought (Eph. ii. 3)

The Heart Faint—Sin in Desire (Jer. xvii. 9)

The Body Bruised—Sin in Life (Luke iv. 18)

The Sores Corrupt—Sin in Death (Jas. i. 15)

258 A Gracious Invitation

(Isa. i. 18)

A Call from God, "Come"—Divine Invitation (Luke xiv. 17)

A Set Time, "Now"—Time of Grace (2 Cor. vi. 2)

A Subject to Discuss, "Let us Reason"—Divine Kindness (Tit. iii. 5)

259 A Prophet's Vision

(Isa. vi. I, 4)

A Lofty Throne (Ver. 1)—Divine Majesty

A Temple Filled (Ver. 1)—Divine Holiness

A Door Moved (Ver. 4)—Divine Power

I Sinners must meet it here or hereafter (Rom. xx. 12)

2 Without holiness no man shall see the Lord (Heb. xii. 14)

3 He both opens and shuts the Door of Grace (Luke xiii. 25)

260 Three Personal Experiences

(Isa. vi. 5, 9)

Conviction of Sin (Ver. 5)—"I am Undone"

Cleansing through Sacrifice (Ver. 6)—"Thy Sin is Purged"

Commissioned to Serve (Ver. 9)—"Go and Tell"

I True Conviction is by the Spirit and Word of God (John xvi. 8)

2 Divine Cleansing is through the Blood of Christ (I John i. 7)

3 Only the Saved are sent to Serve (I Thess. i. 9)

261 Christ and His Glories

(Isa. ix. 6. 7)

A Child Born—His Incarnation (Matt. i. 23)

A Son Given—His Divine Glory (John iii. 16)

A Counsellor to Guide—His Perfect Wisdom (Prov. viii. 30)

A Prince to Pacify—His Atoning Work (Col. i. 20) A King to Govern—His Almighty Power (Psa.lxxii.)

262. A Song of Salvation

(Isa. xii.)

Anger Turned Away (Ver. 1)—At the Cross (I Thess. i. 10)

Salvation Brought Nigh (Ver. 2)—By the Gospel (Eph. i. 13)

Refreshment Opened Up (Ver. 2)—In the Word (Col. iii. 16)

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263 The Watchman's Message

(Isa. xxi. II, 12)

A Scoffer's Question (Ver. II)—"What of the Night?" A Dawn of Glory (Ver. I2)—"The Morning Cometh" A Night of Judgment (Ver. I2)—"Also the Night" A Call to Repentance (Ver. I2)—"Return, Come"

264 A Model Dwelling for the Believer

(Isa. xxvi. 1, 4)

A Strong City (Ver. I)—His Home (John xiv. 2) Salvation Walls (Ver. I)—His Security (John x. 28) Open Gates (Ver. 2)—His Liberty (John x. 9) Peaceful Dwelling (Ver. 3)—His Experience (Phil.

Peaceful Dwelling (Ver. 3)—His Experience (Phil. iv. 7)

A God to Trust (Ver. 4)—His Resource (Psa. xlvi. 1)

265 True and False Security

(Isa. xxviii. 14, 18)

A Sure Foundation (Ver. 16)—Christ, the Rock A Saving Confidence (Ver. 16)—"He that Believeth" These describe Christ and the Trusting Soul.

A False Security (Ver. 17)—"A Refuge of Lies" A Sudden Sweep (Ver. 17)—Judgment to Come These describe the Sinner and his Judgment.

266 An Indictment and a Pardon

(Isa. xliii. 23, 25)

God's Claims not met (Ver. 23)—The Sinner's Omissions

Sins and Iniquities Weary Him (Ver. 24)—The Sinner's Commissions

God's Abounding Grace (Ver. 26)—"I am He that blotteth out"

The Only Cause (Ver. 25)—"For Mine own sake"

267 The Substitute and Sin-bearer

(Isa. liii.)

His Attitude Godward (Ver. 2)—Grows up before Him

His Relation Manward (Ver. 3)—Despised and Rejected

His Sufferings as Surety (Ver. 5)—Wounded for Transgressors

His Burden as Sin-bearer (Ver. 6)—Iniquity laid on Him

His Death as Substitute (Ver. 8)—Stricken for His People

268 A Call from Heaven

(Isa. lv. I, 2)

To the Thirsty (Ver. 1)—Come to the Waters

To the Hungry (Ver. 2)—Eat that which is good

To the Unsatisfied (Ver. 3)—Delight in Fatness

In Christ the threefold need is abundantly met:—
He has the Water of Life to give (John iv. 14)
He is the Bread of Life to feed on (John vi. 35)
He is the Satisfier of the Heart (Phil. iii. 8)

269 Abundant Pardon

(Isa. lv. 7)

A Call to Repentance—"Forsake his way" (Prov. xiv. 12)

An Invitation of Grace—"Return to the Lord" (I Thess. i. 10)

A Promise of Mercy—"He will have Mercy" (Eph. ii. 4)

A Gracious Pardon—"Abundantly Pardon" (Col. iii. 13)

270 The Great Deliverer

(Isa. lxi. I, II, with Luke iv. 18, 21)

A Promised Deliverer—"Christ, the Anointed" (Rom. xi. 26)

A Gracious Message—"Good Tidings" (Luke ii. 10)

A Period of Grace—"Acceptable Year" (2 Cor. vi. 2)

A Day of Retribution—"Day of Vengeance" (2 Thess. i. 8)

271 The Bridegroom's Gifts

(Isa. lxi. 10, 11)

"Garments of Salvation"—For Sinners (I Tim. i. 15)

"Robe of Righteousness"—For Unrighteous (2 Cor. v. 21)

"Ornaments of Grace"—For the Life (I Pet. iii. 4, 7)

"Jewels of Glory"—For Heaven (John xvii. 22)

272 Treading the Winepress

(Isa. Ixiii. 3)

Glorious in Apparel—Christ in Glory (Rev. xix. 11)

Great in Strength—Christ in Power (Rev. xii. 10)

Speaking in Righteousness—Christ as Judge (Rev. xix. II)

Treading the Winepress—Christ as Avenger (Rev. xix. 13)

Mighty to Save—Christ as Deliverer (Zech. xii. 8)

273 Divine Mercy and Loving Kindness

(Isa. lxiii. 7, 11)

His Loving Kindness—Manifested in Gift of Christ (Rom. v. 8)

The Afflicted Saviour—Christ, our Sacrifice (Isa. liii. 4)

A Great Redemption—By His Blood (I Pet. i. 19) Carried all the Days—By His Power (Luke xv. 5)

274 Jerusalem, the Golden

(Isa. lxv. 19, 25)

A New Creation (Ver. 18; Rev. xxi. 2, 5)

A Joyful City (Ver. 18; Rev. xxi. 3)

A Joyed over People (Ver. 19; Zeph. iii. 17)

No more Weeping (Ver. 19; Rev. xxi. 4)

Length of Days (Ver. 20; Rev. xxii. 5)

Peace and Prosperity (Ver. 25; Rev. xxi. 24)

275 Jeremiah's Call and Commission

(Jer. i. I, 19)

In these four points, he resembles the saved sinner, and in their spiritual order, his history.

[&]quot;I Knew Thee"—Predestination (Rom. viii. 29)

[&]quot;I Formed Thee"—Regeneration (John iii. 7)

[&]quot;I Sanctified Thee"—Separation (I Cor. vi. 10)

[&]quot;I Ordained Thee"—Commission (Matt. xxviii. 18)

276 A Living Fountain and Broken Cisterns

The Living Fountain—God the Source of Blessing (Rev. xxi. 6)

Man Forsaking Him—The Sinner's Path (Isa. liii. 6)

Broken Cisterns—The World's Pleasures (Johniv. 13)

Hewn by Labour—The Sinner's Toil (Isa. lv. 2)

A Great Invitation (Isa. lv. 1)—The Last Call (Rev. xxii. 17)

277 A Call to Backsliders

(Jer. iii. 6, 25)

A Backslider Described (Ver. 6)—God Forsaken, Sin Indulged

Self Justification (Ver. 11)—Hardened and Unrepentant

God's Call to Repentance (Ver. 18)—" Acknowledge thine Iniquity

Relationship Owned (Ver. 14)—"I am married to you"

Divine Restoration (Ver. 14)—"I will bring you"

A Gracious Result (Ver. 22)—"I will heal"

A Full Confession (Ver. 25)—"We have Sinned"

278 A False Peace

(Jer. viii. 6, 11)

God Hearkening (Ver. 6)—He knows all (Ezek. xxxv. 12)

Sinners Rushing on (Ver. 6)—The End, Destruction (Rom. iii. 16)

No Conviction of Sin (Ver. 6)—Utter Indifference (Psa. xiii. 4)

Slightly Healed (Ver. II)—Unreal Profession (Tit. i. II)

A Hollow Peace (Ver. 11)—False Security (Rom. iii. 17)

Rudely Broken (Ver. 12)—Coming Judgment (1 Thess. v. 2)

279 The Wail of the Christ Rejecter

(Jer. viii. 16, 22)

Sounds of Coming Judgment (Ver. 16)—The Sinner's Fear

Divine Vengeance Announced (Ver. 17)—The Sure Fulfilment

A Harvest of Grace Neglected (Ver. 20)—Salvation Despised

A Summer of Opportunity Ended (Ver. 20)—Grace Neglected

Balm in Gilead (Ver. 22)—Gospel Power Refused A Great Physician (Ver. 22)—Christ Rejected

280 The Swelling of Jordan

(Jer. xii. I, 7)

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Passing Through it—The Sinner's Death (Luke xvi. 22)

Jordan Cut Off (Josh. ii. 15)—Christ Abolished it (2 Tim. i. 10)

Pass Over Dry Shod (Josh. ii. 17)—Believer's Passage (Phil. i. 23)

281 The Potter and his Vessels

(Jer. xviii. I, I2)

The Potter at Work—God in Creation (Gen. i. 26)

The Vessel Made—Man Made Upright (Eccl. vii. 29)

The Vessel Marred—Man's Ruin (Rom. v. 12)

The Vessel Re-made—Man Regenerated (John iii. 7)

A Vessel of Mercy (Rom. ix. 22)—A New Creation (2 Cor. v. 17)

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282 Ways of Life and Death

(Jer. xxi. I, 14)

"Way of Life" (with Matt. vii. 13)—Definition

"Go Forth" (with John x. 9)—Decision

"He shall Live" (with John iii. 36)—Possession

"Way of Death" (with Matt. vii. 14)—The End

"He that Abideth" (with Prov. xxi. 16)—The Path

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283 A Sermon in a Palace

(Jer. xxii. I, 19)

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A Solemn Warning (Ver. 7, 9)

A Definite Message (Ver. 3, 5)

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A Loveless Grave (Ver. 18, 19)

284 The Lord, Our Righteousness

(Jer. xxiii. I, 8)

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The Saving Name (Ver. 8, with I Cor. i. 30)

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285 Everlasting Love

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286 A Story of Grace

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A Coming Judgment (Ver. 3, with Heb. ix. 27)

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288 Story of a Runaway

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322 Vineyard and Husbandmen

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(Mark iv. 35-41)

The Voyage of Life (Ver. 35)—"Let us Pass Over" Jesus with His own (Ver. 36)—"He was in the Ship" The Storms of Life (Ver. 37)—"A Great Storm" The Fears of Unbelief (Ver. 38)—"Carest Thou not?" The Word of Power (Ver. 39)—"Peace, be still" A Pleasant Change (Ver. 39)—"A Great Calm"

The Sinner's awakening, fear, danger, cry of need; the power of Christ, the Gospel of Peace, the calm of confidence, enjoyment of peace and passage to glory are all foreshadowed here.

336 The Man of Gadara

(Mark v. I-21)

In the Devil's Grasp (Ver. 2)—The Sinner's Position Living among the Dead (Ver. 2)—The Sinner's Place Could not be Restrained (Ver. 3)—The Sinner's State Could not be Reformed (Ver. 4)—Man's Inability Jesus, the Mighty Healer (Ver. 6)—Jesus Near Demons dread His Power (Ver. 7)—Satan's Opposition

A Great Deliverance (Ver. 8)—Personal Salvation A Testimony to Christ (Ver. 16)—Manifest Conversion

A Witness for Christ (Ver. 19, 20)—True Discipleship

337 A Chronic Case Cured

(Mark v. 25-34)

A Disease of long Continuance (Ver. 25)

A Patient of many Physicians (Ver. 26)

A Case of Continuous Decline (Ver. 26)

A Crisis in Ruined Resources (Ver. 26)

Hears of a new Healer (Ver. 27)

Came into touch with Christ (Ver. 27)

Healed by His Power, and knew it (Ver. 29)

Confessed it, and was owned by Him (Ver. 34)

338 Five Thousand Fed

(Mark vi. 30-34)

A Hungry Crowd (Ver. 34)—Mankind

A Desert Place (Ver. 36)—The World

A Declining Day (Ver. 35)—Brevity of Life

The Divine Compassion (Ver. 37)—Grace of God

A Resting People (Ver. 40)—Not by Works

A Miracle of Power (Ver. 41)—Power of Christ

An Abundant Supply (Ver. 42)—Abundant Salvation

339 Jesus Walks Across the Sea

(Mark vi. 45-50)

A Lone Night (Ver. 47)—The Present Time

A Stormy Sea (Ver. 48)—The Storm of Life

A Toiling Crew (Ver. 48)—The Church on Earth

A Praying Lord (Ver. 47)—In Heaven

A Timely Deliverer (Ver. 49)—The Coming One

A Word of Cheer (Ver. 50)—His own Voice

A Presence of Power (Ver. 51)—Himself in the Midst

340 A Blind Man Receives Sight

(Mark viii. 22-30)

A Blind Man (Ver. '22)—Sinner in Nature

A Call of Need (Ver. 22)—Praying Saints

A Touch of Tenderness (Ver. 23)—Christ's Compassion

A Work Begun (Ver. 23)—The Spirit's Work

A Dawning Light (Ver. 24)—The Enlightening Word

A Clear Vision (Ver. 26)—A True Salvation

341 A Demon Possessed Lad

(Mark ix. 14-29)

An Anxious Father (Ver. 17)—Man of Faith A Needy Son (Ver. 18)—Under Satan's Power Helpless Disciples (Ver. 14-28)—Disputing among Themselves (Ver. 33)

A Mighty Deliverer (Ver. 19)—Jesus Christ

342 A Helpless Man Healed

(John v. 1-6)

A Waiting Company (Ver. 3)—In Conscious Need

A Place of Disappointment (Ver. 4)—Ordinances Cannot Save

A Divine Visitor (Ver. 6)—The Living Lord

A Personal Question (Ver. 6)—"Wilt thou be made Whole?"

A Voice of Power (Ver. 8)—"Rise," "Walk"

A Sudden Response (Ver. 9)—Saved to show it

343 The Ten Lepers

(Luke xvii. II-I7)

An Urgent Appeal—"Have Mercy on us"

A Ready Response—Jesus saw and spake

A Great Result—"They were Cleansed"

A Grateful Return-One Returned to give Thanks

344 Bartimæus, the Beggar

(Luke xviii. 35)

In Nature, Blind and Destitute (Acts xxvi. 18)

Near to Jericho, City of the Curse (Gal. iii. 10)

Jesus Passing by, the Gospel now (Acts xv. 14)

Is Called and Responds (Matt. xi. 28)

Receives Sight and Salvation (2 Cor. iv. 6)

Follows in the Way (Psa. xxiii. I)

345 Lazarus of Bethany

(John xi. 1-46)

Dead and Decomposing—Our Condition (Eph. ii. I; iv. 22)

Bound and Buried—Our Helplessness (John viii. 34; Rom. v. 6)

The Stone Rolled Away—What Man can do (John i. 41, 42)

The Life Giver Speaks—Christ's Word of Power (John v. 25)

LifeReceived and Manifested—Conversion (1 Thess. i. 9; Acts xi. 21)

Light and Liberty Given (Psa. cxix. 130; John viii. 32)

346 Three Resurrection Miracles

(Luke viii.)

Jairus' Daughter—A Girl, Newly Dead
The Widow's Son—A Youth, on the way to Burial
Lazarus—A Man, in the Grave Four Days

The Sinner dead in sin by nature, becomes immured to it in practice, and held fast by it at the end. Each a stage further advanced in helpless, hopeless ruin. Christ's voice reaches all. His power raises all.

PEARLS FROM THE PARABLES

347 The New Patch on the Old Garment (Mark ii. 16-22)

- The Old Garment—The Sinner in Nature, the Old Man
- A New Patch—Religion or Reformation from Without
- Result, a Rent—Only Manifests the Unrenewed Nature
- A Great Necessity—A New Birth, Regeneration (John iii. 7)

348 The Seed that Grew

(Mark iv. 26-34)

- The Seed Sown—The Word enters the Heart (1 Pet. i. 23)
- The Slow Progress—The Dying and Quickening (I Cor. xv. 36)
- The Sure Result—The Manifested Life (Actsxi.22,23)
 The Ripe Harvest—The Full Fruitage (John iv. 35)

349 The Two Debtors

(Luke vii. 36-50)

- Pharisee and Sinner—Religious and Profane (Luke xviii. 10)
- Five Hundred Pence—Great Debt, Openly Ungodly (1 Tim. i. 15)
- Fifty Pence—Relatively Small, Self-righteous (Luke xvi. 15)
- "Nothing to Pay"—Alike Bankrupt, no Difference (Rom. iii. 23)
- "Frankly Forgave Both"—Grace to the Guilty, no Difference (Rom. x. 12)

350 The Good Samaritan

(Luke x. 30-38)

The Man Going Down—The Sinner's Path
Jerusalem to Jericho—From the Blessing to the
Curse

Fell among Thieves—Sin, Satan, the World Robbed, Stripped, Wounded—Man Fallen, Ruined, Helpless

Priest and Levite, Law and Ordinances cannot Save

Samaritan came where he was—Christ on Calvary Rescued, Bound, Raised—The Believing Sinner's Position

Brought, Cared for, Waiting—The Believer's Place and Portion

351 The Wealthy Farmer

(Luke xii. 16-21)

A Prosperous Man—Rich Crops, Great Success

A Planning Man—Builds Barns, Seeks Ease

A Short-sighted Man—Only for Time! Nothing for Eternity

A "Fool" in God's Sight—The Verdict of Heaven A Sudden Call—That Night in the Eternal World

352 A Barren Fig Tree

(Luke xiii. 6-9)

In Place of Privilege—Planted in Vineyard An Object of Pity—Received Owner's Care A Worthless Possession—Bore no Fruit An Earnest Appeal—"Let it Alone" A Year of Grace—Special Visitation The Final Doom—Cut Down, Cast Out

353 The Gospel Supper

(Luke xiv. 16-24)

A Gracious Host—God in Grace, Providing (John iii. 16)

A Great Invitation—"Come," the Gospel Feast Ready (I Tim. i. 15)

Some Paltry Excuses—Trivial, showing they had no desire

A Wider Call—To the Outcasts and Needy

A Motley Company—All Sorts and Conditions

354 The Sheep that Wandered

(Luke xv. 1-7)

It Left the Fold—The Sinner Rebellious (Psa. cxix. 176)

It Wandered Away—The Sinner Self-willed (Isa. liii. 6)

It was Lost—His Relation to God (Jer. l. 6)

It was Sought For—The Mission of Christ (Luke xix. 11)

It was Found—The Sinner Saved (Deut. xxxii. 10)

355 The Silver Piece that went Amissing

(Luke xv. 8-10)

Fallen from its Place—Sinners Helpless and Hidden
Lost in the House—In the Place of Profession
The Woman's Diligence—Human Means Used
Light and Sweeping—The Spirit and the Word
Found and Replaced—Sinner Restored to God and
Man

Time of Rejoicing—Joy over Conversions

356 The Prodigal's Departure and Degradation

(Luke xv. 11-17)

His Departure (Ver. 13)—"Into a far Country"

His Dissipation (Ver. 13)—"Riotous Living"

His Degradation (Ver. 15)—"Sent to Feed Swine"

His Declaration (Ver. 17)—"I Perish"

His Dejection (Ver. 16)—"How many Hired Servants"

357 The Prodigal's Return and Reception

(Luke xv. 18-32)

His Resolution (Ver. 18)—"I will Arise"

His Return (Ver. 19)—"He Arose and Came"

His Reception (Ver. 20)—"Fell on his neck and kissed him"

His Rejoicing (Ver. 24)—"They began to be Merry"

358 The Shepherd and His Flock

(John x. 1-28)

The Door of Entrance (Ver. 9)—Christ Himself

The Number of the Sheep (Ver. 9)—Individual Salvation

The Shepherd's Register (Ver. 14)—"I know my Sheep"

The True Sheep Mark (Ver. 27)—"They hear His Voice"

The Perfect Security (Ver. 28)—"Never Perish" Their Sure Possession (Ver. 28)—"Eternal Life"

LESSONS FOR INFANT CLASSES

A Bible Picture, a Blackboard Sketch, or an Object may be used to illustrate the Lesson, with good effect.

359 The Beautiful Garden

(Gen. ii. 8-17)

DLANTED by God REPARED for Man LEASANT and Pure REE of Life
HE Flowing River
RUE Happiness

Use as a Type of Heaven, showing comparisons and contrasts

360 Abel and His Offering

(Gen. iii. 4; Heb. xi. 4)

ACKNOWLEDGED his Sin before God

ROUGHT a Sacrifice to God to Atone

EXERCISED Faith in God's Promise

LIFE and Righteousness reckoned his

361 Noah's Ark Like Jesus

(Gen. vi., vii.)

A PLACE of Safety

REFUGE from the Storm AISED to the Mount

KEPT from Perishing by God's Power Famishing by God's Food

362 The Rainbow and its Lessons

(Gen. ix. 8-17)

BOW without an Arrow—No Judgment
RIGHT amid the Darkness—Token of Grace

ONLY Half of it seen by us THER Half seen in Heaven (Rev. iv. 3)

WITNESS of God's Faithfulness ILL never bring another Deluge

363 The Story of Isaac

(Gen. xxii., Heb. xi. 17)

SAAC, the Beloved Son (John iii. 16)

SUBJECT to his Father's Will (Heb. x. 9)

A VICTIM laid on the Altar (Isa. liii. 5)

A SUBSTITUTE Died in his Stead (Rom. v. 8)

CALLED to Heavenly Glory (Heb. v. 4, 5)

364 The Blood on the Door Posts

(Exod. xii. 12-13)

BEGINNING of a New Life (John iii. 3)

AMB Chosen and Slain (I Pet. i. 18-28)

ON Lintel and Side Posts Sprinkled (Heb. xi. 28)

ONLY Way of Redemption and Safety (Rom. iii. 25)

DELIVERED from Death and Judgment (Heb.ix.27)

365 The Smitten Rock

(Exod. xvii.; I Cor. x. 4)

RIVERS in the Desert (Psa. cv. 41; John vii. 39)

OPENED by God, for Man (Psa. lxxviii. 20)

CALL to all to Drink (Isa. lv. 1; Rev. xxii. 17)

KNEW its Life-giving Power (Isa. xlviii. 21)

366 The Serpent on the Pole

(Num. xxi. 6-10; John iii. 14, 15)

IFTED up where all might see it (Ver. 8)

RREMEDIABLE Condition of People (Ver. 6)

FAITH in the Word of God (Ver. 8)

EVERYONE that Looked, got Life (Ver. 9)

367 The Gospel Alphabet

ALL have Sinned (Rom. iii. 23) LL may be Saved (I Tim. ii. 4-6)

BEHOLD the Lamb of God (John i. 29)
ELIEVE on the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts xvi. 31)

COME, for all things are now ready (Luke xiv. 17) ONFESS with thy mouth the Lord Jesus (Rom. x.)

368 Gospel I Am's

the Door (John x. 9)—to Enter by the Way (John xiv. 6)—to Walk in the Shepherd (John x. 11)—to Follow the Light (John viii. 12)—to Guide 369

Three Relations

Received as Saviour (John i. 12)
Confessed as Lord (Rom. x. 9)
Followed as Shepherd (John x. 27)

370

Three Great R's

(Job xxxiv. 24)

UIN by Sin ANSOM by Blood ESCUE by Power

371

The Gift of God

(Rom. vi. 23)

(IVEN without asking (John iii. 16)

N spite of our sin (I John iv. 10)

FREE to all alike (Rev. xxii. 17)

TAKE it and thank the Giver (2 Cor. ix. 15)

372

Four I Will's

give you rest (Matt. xi. 28) in no wise cast out (John vi. 37) will receive you (John xiv. 3) never leave you (Heb. xiii. 5)

373

A11

ALL we, like sheep, have gone astray (Isa. liii. 6)

AID upon Him the iniquity of us ALL (Isa. liii. 7)

ORD of ALL (Acts x. 36)

Our Sln, His Sacrifice, His Lordship

Hath

374

HE that Heareth My Word

AND Believeth on Him

THAT sent Me

HATH Everlasting Life—John v. 24

The three go together.—Heareth, Believeth, Hath

375 Jesus

ON of God (Matt. iii. 17)—Well Beloved ACRIFICE for God (Eph. v. 2)—Well Pleasing AVIOUR of Sinners (Heb. vii. 25)—All Powerful

376 Christ for Me

The Work of Christ gives Peace (Col. i. 20)
The Word of Christ gives Assurance (John v. 24)
The Person of Christ gives Satisfaction (Phil. iii. 8)

377 The Saviour's Invitation

(Mark x. 14)

COMMAND of the Saviour

OBJECTORS Silenced by the Word

MANY Children have obeyed the Call

EVERYONE Saved and Happy

378 Threefold Cords

The Way, the Truth, the Life (John xiv. 6) Faith, Hope, Love (I Cor. xiii. 13) Grace, Mercy, Peace (2 Tim. i. 2)

379 The Lamb of God

(John i. 29)

LOWLY, Loving Saviour

ATONING, All-Cleansing Sacrifice

MIGHTY, Majestic Lord

BELOVED, Bountiful Friend

380 Sheep

STRAYING from God (Isa. liii. 6)

HASTENING to Death (Psa. xliv. 11)

EASILY Beguiled (Jer. i. 6)

EAGERLY Sought (Luke xv. 4)

PURCHASED and Kept (Acts xx. 28)

381 The Word

The Incarnate Word (John i. 14)—The Person of Christ

The Quickening Word (John v. 24)—The Word of Christ

The Enlightening Word (Psa. cxix. 130)—The Holy Scriptures

382 A Beautiful Text

(Luke xix. 10)

His Name: "The Son of Man His Mission: is Come to Seek

His Work: and to Save

His Object: that which was Lost"

383 What is the Time?

Time is Short (I Cor. vii. 29)
Time to Awake (Rom. xiii. 12)
Time to seek the Lord (Hos. x. 12)
Time of thy Visitation (Luke xix. 44)

384 The Five Senses

SMELLING a Sweet Savour, God is Satisfied (Eph. v. 2)

HEARING Christ's Words, I get Life (John v. 24)
SEEING Christ's Work, I have Peace (John xx. 20)

TASTING that the Lord is Gracious, I am Saved (I Pet. ii. 3)

FEELING comes after Faith. I feel because I know (Mark v. 29)

BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

385 Grace Sovereign Grace (2 Tim. i. 9) Saving Grace (Eph. ii. 8) Sustaining Grace (2 Cor. ix. 9) Sufficient Grace (2 Cor. xii. 9) 386 More Grace By Grace, Justified (Rom. iii.) In Grace, Standing (Rom. v. 2) Under Grace, Discipline (Rom. vi. 14) Through Grace, Hoping (2 Thess. ii. 11) 387 Peace Made at Cross (Col. i. 20) Manifested in Resurrection (Job xx. 19, 20) Mine in Believing (Rom. v. I) Abundance of Peace 388 "Perfect Peace," in Trusting God (Isa. xxvi. 3) "Great Peace," by Loving His Word (Psa. cxix. 16) "My Peace," the Gift of Christ (John xiv. 27) Peace Always, by all Means (2 Thess. iii. 16) 389 Salvation Salvation Procured by the Death of Christ (I Cor. xv. 2, 3) Salvation Possessed by Faith in Christ (Acts xvi. 31) Salvation Assured by the Life of Christ (Rom. v. 9. R.V.) Salvation Perfected at the Return of Christ (Heb. ix. 28)

390 Things that Accompany Salvation (Heb. vi. 9)

Knowledge of Salvation (Luke i. 77)—By the Word Joy of Salvation (Psa. li. 12)—In the Soul Strength of Salvation (Isa. xxxiii. 6)—By the Spirit Hope of Salvation (I Thess. v. 8)—At the Advent

391 Forgiveness

Its Cause—Christ's Death (Eph. i. 7)

Its Blessedness—Expressed in Psa. xxii. I

Its Extent—"All Trespasses" (Col. ii. 12)

Its Possession—"Hath Forgiven" (Eph. iv. 32)

Its Certainty—"Are Forgiven" (I John ii. 12)

Its Effect—Stated in Psa. cxxx. 4

392 Redemption

Accomplished at the Cross—By Blood (I Pet. i. 19) Experienced at Conversion—By Power (Psa. civ. 10) Expected at the Advent—Of the Body (Eph. iv. 30)

393 Eternal Life

A Free Gift from God (Rom. vi. 23)

A Present Possession in Christ (John x. 28)

A Glorious Prospect with Christ (Rom. vi. 22)

394 The Christian's Standing

Beloved by God the Father (Rom. i. 7) Complete in Christ the Son (Col. ii. 10) Sealed by God the Spirit (Eph. i. 13)

395 Aspects of Christian Life

Children in God's Family (I John iii. I) Servants in Christ's Kingdom (Col. i. 13) Soldiers in the Battlefield (2 Tim. ii. 3) Strangers in the World (I Pet. ii. II)

396 Our Relations to Christ

United to Christ (Rom. vii. 4)—In Life Abiding in Christ (John xv. 3)—In Fruitfulness Witnessing for Christ (Acts i. 6)—In the World Glorified with Christ (Rom. viii. 17)—In Heaven

397 The Christian's Relation to the World Chosen out of the World (John xvii. 6)—By God Severed from the World (Gal. i. 4)—By the Cross Sent into the World (John xvii. 8)—As Witnesses Shining in the World (Phil. ii. 15)—As Lights Hated by the World (John xvii. 14)—For Christ

398 Christ for His People

Their Saviour to Save (Matt. i. 21)
Their Shepherd to Lead (I Pet. ii. 24)
Their High Priest to Succour (Heb. ii. 14)
Their Hope to Wait for (I Tim. i. I)

399 Christ, our Keeper

He Keeps His Own (John xvii. 11)
Keeps them from Stumbling (Jude 24, R.V.)
Keeps them from Evil (2 Thess. iii. 3)

400 Christ, our Lord

Confessed at Conversion (Rom. x. 9)
Received in Subjection (Col. ii. 6)
Obeyed in Life (Col. iii. 17)
Acknowledged in Service (Col. iii. 24)

401 The Spirit's Work in Believers

Born of the Spirit (John iii. 7)—Regeneration Indwelt by the Spirit (Gal. iv. 4)—Sonship Sealed by the Spirit (Eph. i. 13)—Security Taught by the Spirit (John ii. 24)—Progress

402 Inflow, Upflow, Outflow

The Inflow of the Spirit (I Cor. xii. 13)—Conversion The Fulness of the Spirit (Acts vii. 55)—Communion The Upflow of the Spirit (John iv. 14)—Worship The Outflow of the Spirit (John vii. 38, 39)—Testimony

403 The Coming of Christ

His own Promise (John xiv. 2, 3) His Last Word (Rev. xxii. 20) The Christian's Hope (I Tim. i. I) The Christian's Attitude (I Cor. i. 7)

TALKS TO YOUNG CHRISTIANS

404 A Threefold Relationship

Born into the Family of the Father (John i. 12, 13) Translated into the Kingdom of the Son (Col. i. 13) Built into the Temple of the Spirit (Eph. ii. 22)

405 Christ is Able

To Save all the Way (Heb. vii. 25)
To Deliver from Satan's Power (2 Tim. iv. 19)
To Keep till that Day (2 Tim. i. 12)

406 Gospel Blessings

Freely Forgiven (Col. ii. 13)
Fully Justified (Acts xiii. 39)
Finally Glorified (Rom. viii. 30)

407 Threefold Security

Safe in Christ's Life (Rom. v. 10 R.V.) Kept by God's Power (I Pet. i. 5) Sealed by the Spirit (Eph. i. 13)

408 What Grace Does

It brings Salvation to the Sinner (Tit. ii. II)
It Teaches the Saved (Tit. ii. I2)
It Strengthens the Servant (2 Tim. ii. I)

409 Three Vital Truths

CHOSEN by God the Father (Eph. i. 3)
REDEEMED by Christ the Son (Eph. i. 7)
INDWELT by the Holy Spirit (I Cor. vi. 19)

410 The Christian's Position

ACCEPTED in the Beloved (Eph. i. 6) COMPLETE in Christ (Col. ii. 10) JOINED to the Lord (I Cor. vi. 14)

411 Eternal Life

Life in PROMISE (John x. 10)
Life in POSSESSION (John x. 28; I John v. 13)
Life in PROSPECT (Tit. i. I; Rom. vi. 24)

412 Laws of Spiritual Health

Pure Food (I Pet. ii. 2; Jer. xv. 16) Clean Life (Psa. cxix. 9; Eph. v. 26) Clear Atmosphere (2 Cor. vi. 14-17; I John i. 7) Good Exercise (I Tim. iv. 6; Acts xxii. 2)

413 Three Relationships

Children in Relationship (I John iii. I, 2; I Pet. i. I3) Saints in Separation (Rom. i. 7; Eph. v. 3) Servants in Obedience (John xii. 24; Col. iii. 24)

414 Christ Exalted

As Saviour, to Rescue (Acts v. 9; Heb. vii. 25) As Shepherd, to Lead (Heb. xiii. 20; Psa. xxiii. 1) As Lord, to Govern (Rom. x. 9; Col. ii. 5)

415 The Word of God

As Food to Strengthen (Job xxiii. 12) As Light to Guide (Psa. cxix. 103) As Water to Cleanse (Eph. v. 26)

416 Three Present Blessings

Justisied by Faith (Rom. v. 1; Acts xiii. 39) Sanctified by Blood (Heb. x. 10; xiii. 12) Kept by Power (I Pet. i. 5; John x. 28)

417 The Work of the Spirit

In relation to the Believer

Born of the Spirit of Lise (John iii. 5; Rom. viii. 2) Indwelt by the Spirit of Sonship (Gal. iv. 4; Rom. viii. 17)

Strengthened by the Spirit of Power (Eph. iii. 16; Phil. i. 10)

418 Without Blemish

Christ, in His Person and Nature (I Pet. i. 19) Believers, in their Call and Position (Eph. i. 3) The Church, finally in Glory (Eph. v. 28)

419 Spiritual Life

Imparted at new Birth (I John iii. I; v. 9)
Developed by Experience (John vi. 30; I Pet. ii. 2)
Perfected in Glory (2 Cor. iv.)

420 The Christian's Employment

Working in the Vineyard (3 John iv.) Walking in the Truth (Matt. xxi. 28) Warring with the Foe (Eph. vi. 10)

421 Christ for His People

Christ Died for Us (Rom. v. 8)—As Sacrifice Christ Lives for Us (Heb. iv. 13)—As Priest Christ Comes for Us (John xiv. 3)—As Hope

422 Three Enemies

The Flesh, and its Lusts (I Pet. ii. II)
The World, and its Snares (I John ii. I6)
The Devil, and his Wiles (Eph. vi. II)

423 A Threefold Cord

(Rom. v. I, 2)

Peace through Faith (Ver. I) Standing in Grace (Ver. 2) Waiting for Glory (Ver. 2)

424 Divine Love

The FATHER'S Love to His Children (I John iii. I) The SON'S Love to His Church (Eph. v. 25) The SPIRIT'S Love to His Charge (Rom. xv. 30)

425 Christ for Me

Christ my Peace (Eph. ii. 14) Christ my Life (Col. iii. 4) Christ my Hope (I Tim. i. I)

426 Grace

Saving Grace (Eph. ii. 8)—For Sinners Strengthening Grace (2 Tim. ii. 1)—For Servants Sustaining Grace (2 Cor. ix. 8)—For Saints

427 Three Gifts

God's Gift to the World (John iii. 16)—His Son Christ's Gift to His own (John xvii. 9)—The Word The Spirit's Gift to the Servant (Acts i. 7)—Power

428 Looking

Looking to Christ (Isa. xlv. 22)—For Salvation Looking on Christ (John i. 36)—For Example Looking for Christ (Phil. iii. 20)—Our Hope

429 Eternal Realities

Eternal Life (I John v. 13)—In Possession Eternal Salvation (Heb. v. 9)—In Experience Eternal Glory (I Pet. v. 10)—In Prospect

430 Keeping Ourselves

In the Love of God (Jude 21)—For Warmth Unspotted from the World (Jas. i. 27)—For Holiness From Idols (I John v. 21)—For Devotion

431 Walk

In Light (I John i. 7)—Before God In Love (Eph. v. 2)—With God In Truth (3 John 7)—After God

432 Spiritual Outfit

SHOES to Walk (Eph. vi. 15)
GIRDLE for Service (Luke xii. 35)
HELMET for Warfare (I Thess. v. 8)

433 Life, Light, and Love

LIFE Possessed in Christ (I John v. II)
LIGHT Received through the Word (Psa. cxix. I30)
LOVE Imparted by the Spirit (Rom. v. 5)

434 Practical Christianity

Keep the HEART (Prov. iv. 23)
Exercise the CONSCIENCE (Acts xxiv. 16)
Watch the TONGUE (Psa. cxli. 3)
Guide the FEET (Heb. xii. 13)

435 God Well Pleased

In His Beloved Son (Matt. iii. 17)
In His Redeemed People (Psa. clix. 4)
In their Obedience (Col. iii. 20)
With their Sacrifices (Heb. xiii. 16)

436 The Christian's Hope

An Anchor to Keep (Heb. vi. 19) A Treasure to Love (Col. i. 5) A Power to Purify (I John iii. 3)

437 The Happy Man

Whose Trust is in the Lord (Jer. xvii. 7)
Whose Transgression is Forgiven (Psa. xxxvii. 1)
Whose Strength the Lord is (Psa. lxxxiv. 12)

438 The Believer's High Places

Of Security—"In Christ" (Eph. i. 2)

Of Blessing—"With Christ" (Eph. ii. 6)

Of Responsibility—"For Christ" (John xiii. 18)

439 Rewards for Service

Crown of Rejoicing (I Thess. ii. 19, 20)—The Worker's Reward

Crown of Righteousness (2 Tim. iv. 6-8)—The Watcher's Crown

Crown of Life (Rev. ii. 10)—The Martyr's Crown

440 The Lord's Disciple

The Disciple's Place—The Feet of Jesus (Luke x. 37)
The Disciple's Path—The Example of Jesus (Luke xiv. 27)

The Disciple's Portion—Rejection with Jesus (John xv. 20)

441 The Lord, Thy Keeper

How He keeps His Redeemed People

As a GARDENER his Plants (Isa. xxvii. 3, R.V.)

As a SOLDIER his Charge (2 Tim. i. 12)

As a WATCHMAN his Trust (Psa. cxxi. 4)

THEMES FOR THE ANXIOUS

442 Christ, our Life

A Truthful Declaration (John vi. 53)

A Gracious Invitation (John vii. 37)

A Sure Appropriation (I John v. 12)

A Woeful Lamentation (John v. 40)

443 Christ, our Peace

He made it at the Cross (Col. i. 20)

He preaches it in the Gospel (Acts x. 36)

He gives it from the Throne (2 Thess. iii. 16)

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Initials give a Bible Name, who in the days of youth Received Jehovah's holy Word, and owned it as the Truth.

Answer-"Josiah" (2 Chron. xxxiv. 2-19).

485 A Royal Searching

Who crowned an orphan, royal queen?
Who took a crown from kingly brow?
What king forsook those who had been
Used to wise monarch's words to bow?
In what fine gold will yet a queen
Be found arrayed in days to come,
When Israel's earthly joys abound,
And under Christ they dwell at home?
Whose king rose from his royal throne,
And clad in sackcloth sat alone?

The Capitals, when rightly set, produce the honoured name Of one who wore a "golden crown," yet had no kingly reign.

Answer-"Aaron" (Ex. xxix. 6).

486 A Jumbled Word Searching

The jumbled words					
Bible Birds.	Fill in	chapter and	l verse w	here fou	ınd.

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487 A Bible King

Who like a Lion seeketh to devour
The sinner saved, in an unguarded hour?
Whose Trade did an apostle daily share,
Content to labour for his daily fare?
What in the Temple was there rent in twain,
To show the way to God is now made plain?
To what great Sin was Israel in the desert prone,
Which robbed the Lord of what was His alone?
Who for his noble faith and fearless stand
Was raised to honour in a heathen land?

Initials name a King: where did he reign?
Who was his friend, in what great battle slain?
Of whom is he a type? Where is it shown
His son will reign upon his father's throne?

Answer—" David" (Luke i. 32).

488 A Bible Town

Where once a baby boy was born. Where once a widow gathered corn. Where once a shepherd lad did keep His father's flock of lambs and sheep. Give all the places in the Word, Where these events are on record.

Answer-"Bethlehem" (Matt. ii. 1; Ruth iii.; 1 Sam. xvi.).

489 A Bible City

Its first is in Death, but not in Life. Its second in War, but not in Strife. Its third in Need, but not in Care. Its whole a place where idols were. Answer—"Dan" (I Kings xii. 29).

490 Bible Towns

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491 A Hidden Text to Find

It is found in the very longest Psalm. It tells what Luke xv. says I am. When you learn it, turn to Isa liii., And find what God has done for thee.

Answer—"Lost Sheep" (Ps. cxix. 176).

492 A Bible Town

It was once a city great and high,
Against which a prophet of God did cry.
Its people on hearing his solemn word,
Repented of sin and turned to the Lord.
Answer—" Nineveh" (Jonah iii. 56)

493 A Scripture Town

A much-loved Boy of Bible times, and called "a little one."

A Lad on whom a "blessing" came, his father's youngest son.

A Child whose early days were spent in 'knowing' God's blest Word,

And who in latter years became a "servant of the Lord."

A Son of God's anointed priest, a "son of Belial," too.

The Eldest Brother of a boy, who once a "champion" slew.

A King whose mother taught him how to plead the needy's cause,

And to avoid the drunkard's cup, and judge by righteous laws.

Initial letters of these words will form a Bible Town, The place where once a pilgrim came, and weary laid him down; Who dreamed a dream of heavenly bliss while calmly sleeping there And rose refreshed to know and own Jehovah's tender care.

Answer—"Bethel" (Gen. xxviii. 19).

494 Three Bible Shepherds

Give their Names, and what each is specially noted for in the Bible. Their names can be formed from the following letters:

L, D, U, D, E, A, J, A, V, A, I, B, H, D. Answer—"David" (I Sam. xvi. 11); "Abel" (Gen. iv. 2); "Judah" (Gen. xxxvii. 12, 26).

495

A Name of God

What Man escaped a city's fate,
And once as judge sat in its gate?
Who hid the prophets of the Lord,
And saved them from a woman's sword?
Whose Husband reigned from India's strand
To Ethiopia's barren land?
Whose Wife in Shiloh offered prayer,
And also sang God's praises there?

The four initials added, spell a Name of God you know so well.

Answer—"Love" (I John iv. 8).

496

Bible Acrostic

The Name of Jacob's youngest son?
A Stone that told what God had done?
A Saint who showed great unbelief?
One who to God poured out her grief?
A Man to save his life who fled?
A Queen who filled another's stead?
A King who had God's witness slain?
And One whose prayers staid the rain?
Who lived the longest here below?
Initials give a place you know.

Answer—" Bethlehem " (Matt. ii. 1).

497

A Man of Prayer

A man of prayer in olden time,
Of honourable name,
Who asked that God might bless and keep
From every evil claim;
That God would still His coast extend,
And by His hand himself defend.
Who was the man? Where did he live?
His history and his service give.

Answer-" Jabez" (I Chron. iv. 10).

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498 A Bible Priest to Find

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A priest of God, of desert fame.

Answer—"Aaron" (Ex. xxviii. 11).

499 A New Testament Word

Where one who served the Church abode, Who for his pride was smote by God? Whose words did Absalom disdain? Who watched her sons in battle slain? Who mocked his younger brother's claim? Who from the dead was raised again? What did King Saul in pieces rend, And round the coasts of Israel send?

Initial letters all combined produce what suffers and is "kind."

Answer—"Charity" (I Cor. xiii. 4).

500 A Saving Word

A Mount on which a king was slain?

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Initials form a precious word, which those know best who trust the Lord.

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