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IN TWO PARTS.

I. CHRIST's Expostulation with a straying Sinner.

II. The Sinner's Conversion and Recovery.

PART I.

T.

HAT is the cause, poor Soul, thou dost fo stray

From me thy LORD, and from the righteous way?

(a) Was this thy oath when thou with me (a) By baptifcov'nanted? afterwards.

Where are the vows which thou fo freely granted?

II.

(b) Am I not LORD of light, of life and love? (b) Enumera-Am I not he to thee so kind did prove? Did I not know thee by my eye all-feeing? I knew thy mould before thou hadst a being.

tion of mer cies fpiritual and tempora politive and privative.

III.

(c) Ezek, 16. (c) A wretched Babe thou wast in fin first born, 2, 3, 4. Under God's wrath and curse; and so forlorn.

Might'st thou not been a monster formless Creature?

Whilst I have given a perfect comely feature?

IV.

I did myself of royal robes divest, And cloath'd me with thy nature for thy rest. I scourged was, and crowned with the thorn, The cross I bare, for thee I suffered scorn.

V.

The gospel-light I gave thee to direct; A guard of angels ready to protect; My Sp'rit to warn, and be thy gracious guide: Yet from my precepts thou dost ever slide.

VI.

I gave thee food and raiment, health and peace. Myself I gave for thy poor soul's release; And yet to me unkind thou still wast proving, And dost not labour to requite my loving.

VII.

(d) Mercies privative, or From Satan (d), fin, and hell I made thee free:

deliverance from all evils

A ranfom, facrifice and propitiation I

Was, divine Justice for to fatisfy.

VIII.

I kept thee from the famine, and the fword: From pestilence, and did all good afford: From shameful sin, and from flagitious crimes; From Satan's snares in these confused times.

IX.

That Satan might not fright thee, nor posses: From madness, sudden death and all distress; From sickness fore; and sting of conscience fell: I keeped thee from dropping into hell.

I did thee gently chasten with the rod (e); That thou might'st mind thy duty to thy God: But when the rod was off, with Pharaoh vain Thou wallow'd in the mire of fin again.

(e) Incorrigiblenefs under

XI.

This was not all; (f) I promis'd thee a crown, (f) Mercies Even heav'ns glory, riches and renown, If thou should'st serve me, yet thy fruit is small; Thou wanders from me like the Prodigal.

XII.

Where is thy faith? where is thy fervent love? Where is thy zeal, and works, thy faith to prove? Beware, like Laodicea, thou me force Thee to reject with dolorous divorce.

XIII.

If thou do not repent and foon return, And for thy many fins thou do not mourn; If answer not my mercies to thee shown, I'll thee reject and never more thee own.

PART.

PART II.

Containing the penitent Sinners Conversion and Recovery.

I.

WHAT thundering voice is this I hear? who calls?

Is this the voice of Christ from heav'n that falls?

I fleeping was, and pampered with all pleasure; But now I see my sin's above all measure!

TT.

Justly, O LORD, might'st thou from me depart; Justly might'st thou my sinful Soul desert: For most ungrate I heretofore was proving; And most unworthy of such matchless loving.

III.

O! what am I, thou should'st so kindly call? And did not suffer in the pit to fall; Since I have from my God so long departed, No wonder that for sin I fore had smarted,

IV.

Slighting of calls and warnings.

Thy calls I did repell, thy word I flighted:
Thy Sp'rit I quench'd: thy rods when they
have lighted,

I did not hear their voice; nor mercies prized;

But I have done what Satan hath devised.

V.

My fins in number they are like the fand, By breaking of thy righteous command; For quality, atrocious, great offences: I finn'd with foul and the external fences. Acknowledgment of Sin in its quantity and quality.

VI.

My fins are many, yet no more than thou Canst freely pardon, O my God most true! My fin is great, yet is thy mercy greater: I run to thee, there is no Saviour better.

VII.

Thou past by angels, and hast sent thy Son In human nature, our poor souls to win. Thou raises up the soul that is dejected, And thou hast not the weary soul rejected.

Extolling of God's mercies and recourse there-

VIII.

Thy promise is to seek the soul that's lost:
Thy promise is to comfort all that's crost.
I've lost myself, come now, sweet Lord, and save me:

I cleave to thee my God, O do not leave me.

IX.

With blinks of mercy thou dost wretches view: Thy glory is, in weakness strength to shew. Thy mercy is on those that have no merit, That heirs of wrath great glory may inherit.

X.

A great occasion of the ing is bad example.

When multitudes I faw in the broad way, finner's stray- I took delight with them to go astray. Disdainfully thy precepts I did trample, Thy promife sweet, thy threats, and saints example.

XI.

Vicious extremities of the times.

The many by-paths have my foul deceived; And have me of my Saviour near bereaved; Some not for peace, some not for piety, Some not for truth, some like the Pharisee.

XII.

Some live fo loofe, as minding not a judge, No God, no hell, no heav'n a foul to lodge; Some Laodicean like, they care not whether Religion fink or fwim, fools altogether!

XIII.

Some feeming godly, yet they have no love No Christian works, their fruitful faith to prove: Some loyal (and good reason) to great Caesar; But to serve God, have neither time nor leasure.

XIV.

Some pious-like, and yet disown a king, As if rebellion were no hainous thing: Some place religion in their vain opinion, Some in debates about the best dominion.

XV.

Some place Religion in most base reviling The men of God, their own poor Soul's beguiling:

Some in proud Korah's arrogant rebelling, And yet they fancy heav'n to be their dwelling.

XVI.

Sometimes I followed one, sometimes the other; Sometimes I jarr'd with father and with mother For trivial things: O poor distracted I! And many things I did, I knew not why.

XVII.

I now perceive all these are sinful themes, Impertinent, and vicious extremes. I'll now betake me to the good old way Of thy dear saints, and more I will not stray.

XVIII.

I now perceive, Satan hath many wiles And fly devices which the foul beguiles; And that he may bereave me of my right, Sometimes * an angel feems to be of light.

* 2 Cor. 11.

XIX.

I know now what the Lord of me desires;
Peace, truth and mercy, justice he requires †, † Mic. 6. 8.
To be renewed in the inner-man,
And bring forth fruits with all the strength I can.

XX.

If to myself severe, to others mild, Sweet, gentle, calm and harmless as a child: The fear of God, and loyalty to Cæfar: To all men love: in this he takes great pleafure.

XXI.

I purpose, Lord, to live no more in sin; I strayed long, but now I will begin To serve the LORD with all my heart and strength;

That heav'ns bliss I may enjoy at length.

XXII.

Begone, then fin and Satan, worldly toys, You stop my Christian course, you marr my

Draw me, O LORD, and then I'll follow thee, I'll fing thy praises to eternity.

THE

THE

DOOR OF HOPE;

CORDIAL

FOR A

FAINTING SOUL.

Affording some further Encouragement to draw near unto GOD, and to adventure on the scepter of mercy, from the consideration of the fulness and freeness of GOD's bounty and clemency, and from absolute, and conditional promises, such, as poor Sinners can lay hold upon.

I.

BUT now (a) I find my foul revive,
I find fome cordial
Cheering my fp'rit, that I may live,
Allaying bitter gall.
Glad tidings I begin to hear,

Sion doth mercy sing:

(b) Sweet JESUS can me draw full near Unto Jehovah King.

(c) Thou art most gracious, wise and strong, Thou King of Heav'n most high,

(d) Therefore I'll wait and not think long, Till thou fend some supply.

(e) A supplicant thrown at thy feet, Thy mercy to implore:

(f) I'll beg and knock till alms I get, I'll wait at heav'ns door.

(a) Some dawning or glimmering light of comfort to a fainting Soul from the confideration of God's mercy.

(b) Eph. 2.

(c) God's wisdom, power, and goodness are 3 great pillars of a Christian's confidence. (d) 'Pfallar 27. ult. Pfal. 130. 5; 6. (e) The faul's resolution to wait.

(f) Mat. 7.7.

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1 .--- 40. 5.

(p) Plal. to3.

a Savigur.

III.

Necessity makes me to wait: I cannot find but here; I will with humble sp'rit and meek Unto my God draw near.

(g) The in-(g) When I begin for to recount comprehen-Thy mercies manifold; fible greatness of God's mercy. (b) Pial. 51.

(h) In number they do far furmount What pen or tongue have told.

IV.

(i) They're high, they're deep, they're long and (k) Pfal .36.5. broad,

> (k) They reach the starry frame, They're over all thy works, O God, To magnify thy name.

(1) The freeness of God's (1) The freeness of thy goodness great, mercy. Makes me for to conceive, Ifa. 55. 1. That fuch a wretch may mercy get; Hof. 14.4. And this I humbly crave.

(m) Ezek. 6 3, 4, 6. It is thy (m) glory to extend Mifery the Thy mercy, where there is fitteft object No merit; then thy mercy fend, of mercy. And let me have the blifs.

(n) Pfal. 51. 8 .-- 38. 2, 3. I'm fick in fin, (n) both blind and lame, (o) Ifa. 35.

5, 6. Rev. 3. (o) Poor, and a wretched flave; 17. 2Tim. 2. An object sit for mercy am:

Fulness of Oh let me mercy have. God's mercy.

VI. 31, 12. Ex. 34.6. Absolute pro. (p) Thy treasure is so full of grace. Nothing can it impare: 1. Sending

Thou

Upon	the	Estate	of	Grace.
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19

Thou ever gives and hast no less; O, let me have a share.

Thou fent a Mediator (q) good, When man did not require,

Ev'n this Messias for his need, When none could give an hire. (q) Gen. 3. 15. Ifa. 7 14. A Saviour is fent to an ungrate world.

VII.

Since thou hast fent, and he is come, Of meer free love and grace;

Oh, do bestow on me (r) a crumb Of mercy for solace.

Thou fent (f) unto the Gentiles light, When they by fin most vile,

(s) Had lost all interest and right, And under sad exile.

VIII.

(t) Thou mad'st the barren woman bear More than the married wife;

(u) Thou gav'st the olive wild a share In promises of life.

Then I am one of Japhet's race, O do not me exclude;

Give me a drop of faving grace, Though but a spurious brood.

Χ.

Thou promifest the stony (v) hearts To mollify, and then,

To write thy law (w) in inward parts
Of worthless wretched men.

I find this promise absolute,

To those who have no grace: Thou'rt found of those who sought thee not(x),

(y) O peerless Prince of Peace.

2. Calling of the Gentiles being Idelaters.

(f) Ifa. 54.

1.---32. 6.

(s) Eph. 2.

(r) Mat. 15,

(t) Ifa. 54. 1.

(u) Rom.

3 To ke away the itony heart, (v) Ez. 11. 19. (w) Fy. 50. 26. Jer. 31. 33.

mercy to these who require it not. (x) If 65.24.

4. To extend

(y) 11a. g. G.

C 2

X.

* To wit, those promises. (2) Ifa. 55. 1. Mat. 11. 29. Joh. 7. 37. Gal. 2. 23. + Of the promifes. (2) Eph. 3. 20 Rom. 10: 12. Ja. 1. 5. 6. 17. Eph. 2.4. (b) 2 Pet. 1.5. (c) 2 Cor. 1.

* If these be free, why shall I then
Myself from thence seclude?

When God excepts no (z) mortal man, That's come of *Adam*'s feed.

That's come of Adam's feed.

Their † ocean-fulness (a) can supply All that I stand in need:

They're precious, (b) for they purchas'd be (c) By Christ's most precious blood.

XI.

The grounds of comfort and waiting.

The freeness of thy promises

Breeds hope: their fulness suits

All my defects; their preciousness With all my wants it meets.

(d) Acts 17. 24. Jos. 3.11. Pfal. 46. 7.

(d) Thy fovereign fupremacy
Makes me thee wait upon;
As well becomes a wretch to ly
At thy feet while I moan.

XII.

(e) The greatness of God's promises, in promising himself. 2 Cor. 6. 16. Rev. 7. 15. e-21. 3. Isa. 66. 1.

(e) Thou fay'st thou'lt with thy people dwell, And give thyself to them:

Thou'lt be their God, and then they shall Thy glorious works proclaim.

Oh, what am I but dust and clay?

And wilt thou condescend With me to lodge? O happy day!

Come then thy mercy fend.

XIII.

(f) Isa. 57.

(f) My heart thy house do thou prepare
For thee that glorious guest;
For I have no delicious fare

For such a royal feast.

(g) But

(g) But usher in thy (b) Sp'rit, and he
Will give what may thee please:
Then, welcome, welcome shall thou be;
This will my spirit raise.

XIV.

O give then that good Sp'rit of grace,
(i) In thy way to conduct;

(k) He to my conscience will give peace,

(1) And plainly me instruct.

In Christ the vine (m) he will me graff,

(n) And wholly me renew.

(o) All fears and tears he will drive off, (p) And be my feal most true.

XV.

In midst of every (q) stormy blast Of sad vexation, Assures me of my interest

In thy Salvation.

Against the fiery (r) ferpent's sting Of strong tentation,

He me defends; so that I sing With consolation.

XVI.

He'll give his Son, if that I call
In truth and verity;

Who will to me prove † All in All, And cure my misery.

So shall the blessed (f) Trinity

Take me to be their own;

Henceforth no fin or mifery
Shall my poor foul cast down.

(g) Promife of the Spirit.
(b) Joh. 14.
26.--16. 13.
Luke xi. 13.
Effects of the Spirit.

(i) 1. Direction. John 16. 13. (k) 2. Pacification. Joh. 14. 27. (1) 3. Information. Joh. 14. 26. (m) 4. Spiritual Infition. Jo.35 .-- 15.1. (n) 5. Renovation. Ez. 36. 26. Eph. 4. 23, 24. (0) 6. Consolation. Joh. 14. 26. (p) 7. Confirmation and ratification. Eph. 4. 30. Eph. 1. 13. (9) Ro. 8. 15, 16,17.35.38, (r) 8. Protection. Joh. 14.

Promise of his Son. Mat. 17. 5. Joh. 1. 12.

26 .-- 16. 13.

† Ph. 3.8,9. 1Cor.3.21.22

(f) Joh. 14. 23, 26.

XVII.

CHRIST'S He'll wisdom (s) be, to give me light: fulness. He's righteousness to clear; (s)1 Cor. 1.36.

Least divine justice do me fright,

He pay'd a ranfom dear.

He is SANCTIFICATION,

Me wholly to renue:

He'll work me full Redemption, For he's a Saviour true.

* As a person ready to be drowned, is preferved by laying hold

fpair, is re-

of abiolute

catwiggs, on Into that gulf prepar'd of old, the bank of I'm ready for to fall: the river; fo

a foul at the * But of these twiggs I take some hold,

XVIII.

And yet for mercy call.

vived by the Thou art that fweet Samaritan (t), confideration That cures a wounded foul. promifes, and of God's full Thou never did'st reject that man and free mer-

(u) On thee his care did roll.

(t) Luke 10. 33, 34. (u) 1Pet. 5.7.

XIX.

John 6. 37. The weary-laden (v) thou dost call, Pfal. 55. 22. That they may come to thee: Conditional

promifes. Thou'lt ease them of their burden all, (v, Mat. 11. And cure their misery.

(w)16.55.2,3. Thou promis'd life to them (w) who hear; (x) Mat. 5.6.

(x) The hungry foul to fill. Ifa. 55. 1, 2.

(y) Joh.3.37. (y) The thrifty foul with wine to chear, Of consolation still.

XX.

(z) Pf.50.15. They're fav'd, who call upon (z) thy name, Toel 2. 32. Who knock at mercies gate:

(a) Joh.3.16. (a) They who believe, meet with the same, And who their (b) fins do hate.

Who

(c) Who in thy precepts way do go,
By them, their life to fquare,
Thou wilt to them falvation show:
They ever bleffed are.

(c) Pf. 119. 1. Pfal. 50. 23:

XXI.

I hear, I pray, I do believe, Lord help my unbelief:

O do my filly foul relieve

From all my pain and grief.

I'm forry for my finful falls, Thy voice I will obey:

I'll answer when on me thou calls: Alas! too long I stray.

XXII.

'Tis by thy grace that I intend, To turn to thee again:

'Tis thy free grace that must amend My conversation vain:

(d) The will, the work is all of thee, My sp'ritual thoughts each one:

(e) Then, crown this work begun in me And fend Salvation. (d) Phil. 2. 13.

All ascribed to God's free

grace.

(e) Phil. 1. 6. Heb. 12. 2.

XXIII.

(f) But now I fee the day appear,
The morning-star arise;
The sun of Righteousness draws near,
Fair (g) Phabus from the skies.

O shine upon my filly foul,
With warming beams of light;

On thee, my burden I do roll, O glorious King of might. (f) A transition to the treatise of Christ.

(g) The Sum fo called by the Latin Poets.

THE

PILGRIM'S PANACEA;

OR,

BALM OF GILEAD:

Holding forth (1.) the restauration, or redemption of lost mankind, how it was decreed, and gradually revealed, until the nativity of our blessed SAVIOUR. (2.) Of CHRIST's nativity, his matchless person, his divine and human natures, his all-sufficiency to save, with an introduction to his offices.

I.

(a) Rom. 5.
12,13--6.23.
Gal. 3. 10.

HO' Satan, death and hell conspire (a),
To throw me in *Tartarean* fire;
Yet some of *Adam*'s wretched race

(b) Eph. 2. 8.

(b) Rescu'd shall be by God's free grace.

II.

Salvacion decreed.
(c) Rom. 8,
26. Eph.1.4.
Eternal and a firm decree
In council of the Trinity,

III.

That Christ Jehovah's only Son
Should be a living (d) Corner-stone:

(e) Eph. 1.
4,5.
In him were some (e) Elect to be
(f) Jer. 18.6.
Rom. 9. 23.
(f) Choice vessels to eternity.

IV.

Did that immense, eternal God,
In light who hath a firm abode,
One essence in blest Trinity,
Three persons in that Unity.

The devout fouls pious reflection upon the confideration of God's free grace.

V.

Who from none else doth seek supply,

(For in him all perfections be)

(g) Pfal. 16.

(g) My good to him doth not extend; For why his glory hath none end:

VI.

Did that great fove my blis contrive?

Me wretched worm to keep alive?

To keep me from eternal fire,

When hellish powers did conspire?

VII.

How shall poor I, then thankful prove, For this great mercy, this free love? My soul shall all her (b) powers bend, Him to extol, world without end.

(b) Pf. 103.7. 42.11.

·VIII.

To Adam (i) this was first reveal'd
When to tentation he did yield:
He trembling run (k) himself to hide:
God's presence he could not abide.

Redemption and Salvation never fed. (i) Gen. 3. 152 (k) Gen. 3. 8.

IX.

When guilty of Apostacy,

By tasting the forbidden tree,

Horror of conscience did him fright:

Ill-doers always shun the light.

X.

God and man

by the Mediator JESUS,

which they

ground upon fuch scriptures as thefe, X.

God frowns, good angels do forfake, The heav'n is shut, th' infernal-lake Is ready to receive: and fo Nothing remains but wrath and wo.

(1) Exod. 14. But he whose (1) opportunity 10. 10. Is wretches great extremity; 1Sam. 23. 26. 27, 28. Ezek, 16.4.5, He who dispenses every lot, (m) Is found of them that fought him not. 6. &c. (m) Ifa. 65. 1, 2.4.

XII.

He calls for Adam, of free Grace, And preach'd to him a bleffed peace. Come, Adam, thou hast greatly sinn'd Yet with me thou may'st mercy find.

XIII.

(n) Gen 3.17. Afflictions sharp thou (n) must endure, 18, 19. But thy falvation shall be sure. (0) Gen. 3275. I shall thee send a (0) blessed seed. And he shall bruise the Serpent's head.

XIV.

(p) Some di- This is the Covenant of grace, tinguish the Which brings my foul fo fweet folace. covenant of redemption. There is (p) a gracious paction which is betwixtGod the Betwixt the Father and the Son. Father, and the Son from XV. the covenant of gracewhich And by the Son, with Adam's race, is betwixt

Who should repent, and seek his grace. The Son unto the Father spake, I will man's nature on me take.

XVI

XVI.

I will myfelf a ranfom give,

For the Elect that they may live:

Come, Son, (quoth he) if thou do fo,

They shall be safe from hell and wo.

XVII.

The Father to poor man he faith,
If thou believe with faving faith,
In this my Son; I'll give thee peace:
Eternal love shall thee embrace.

XVIII.

The Lord did promise ev'n the same To faithful father (q) Abraham; That in his seed all should be blest, And get from him eternal rest.

XIX.

This promise grows more (r) full and clear Till that the full time did draw near:
So that Messiah's (f) time and (s) place
The prophets told, Israels race.

XX.

This bleffed feed who glorious is,
Prefigur'd (t) was by facrifice:
By types and fhadows (u) many one,
Ev'n to his Incarnation.

XXI.

This feed is that *Messias* great;
Eternal God without all date:
Hence doth my drooping foul yet live:
For he falvation (v) will me give.

Acts. 20. 28.
1 Cor. 6, 29.
1 Pet. 1, 18.
Acts 23 compared with
Pfal. 2, 7.
Eph 1, 2, 75.
See Dickfon's
Therapeutica
Sacra l. 1, C. 42

renewed to A-brabam, and the Meffias reflicted to his Family and offspring, (2, Gen. 12. 3, --13. 18. --22. 18. The gradual clearing and confirming of the covenant of grace.

(r) H b. 1.1.

The Promile

CHRIST
and recemption by him
typified by far
crifices and
cerements.
(1) C. L. 2.
16, 17.
Heb 7, 8, 9.
(4) Heb. 10.1.

(f) Dan. 9.

24. 24. (s) Mic. 5. 2.

(v'Acte4.12.

The comfort-

which the

is anointed.

John J. 41. --

1. For he was

able endow-

ments to be our King,

Priest, and

(a) Col. 1.19. CHRIST'S

Wativity. (t) Lake 2.

9, 10, 15.

3. 34.

furnished

XXII.

His Birth, his life, his death and all His acts and fufferings great and small, (w) Mat. 9, (w) Are Balfam for my bleeding wound; 12, 13 In him alone Salvation's found. Mal. 4. 2.

XXIII.

I'll now my meditation raise; (x) For this the Angels doth amaze, (x)1Pet.1.12. I'll foar on contemplations wings, Admiring these celestial things.

XXIV.

able names O how great sweetness Jesu Lord, and titles of CHRIST, Thy very names my foul afford! whereof fee more in Song For, JESUS, that's a Saviour (y) fure, To give my foul a foveraign cure. (y) Mat. 1.25. TESUS is the Same that Fo-XXV. Coua, that is, CHRIST, that's the chief (z) anointed one;

(z) That same To him a parallel is none; Hebrew word Meffiab, that Not with that oyl material, Prescrib'd by law levitical; 4.25. Ifa .. 61.

XXVI.

with all fuit. But with the Sp'rit above all measure, Hence is my life, my joy, my treasure, Transcendent (a) gifts (I know right well) Prophet, Pf. He hath, my foul to keep from hell. 45. 7. John

XXVII.

(b) O joyful tidings do I hear, At Bethlehem in a heav'nly quire: The angels fing and shout for joy, When Christ was born, that blessed Boy,

XXVIII.

XXVIII.

To God be glory, (c) peace on Earth, Good will to men, O bleffed birth!

Go, shepherds, go, and leave your tent, This day to you a Saviour's sent. (c) Luke 2. 14, 15.

XXIX.

To Bethlehem run and him behold, Of whom the prophets have foretold.

Ye shall the great Messiah see, In whom all nations blessed be. CHRIST'S immaculate and wonderful conception, and union of the divine and human natures.

XXX.

The wonder first (for to begin)
A man is born quite free (d) of sin,
(e) The like was not since Adam's fall;
This cleanses sin Original.

(d) Mat. 1.20. Luke 1.35. (e) Job 24.4. Pfal. 51.5.

XXXI.

Another thing I do admire,

That God Eternal comes fo near.

My nature (f) frail he did affume;

This keeps me from a difmal doom.

(f)Heb 2.16. 17. Ifa. 7. 14. John 1. 14. Mat. 1. 16.

XXXII.

If God and man, none can so well,
God and lost mankind (g) reconcile.
This (h) Theanthropos only can
Make peace for finful wretched man.

(g) Col. 1. 20, 21, 22. (h) That is God-man in one Person.

XXXIII.

If God, he cannot but (i) prevail:

If man, (k) my brother will not fail

To plead for me, that hainous crimes

May not condemn in judging times.

CHRIST'S all fufficiency to remove all evil and vouchfafe all good.
(i) Heb. 7-25.
(k) Heb. 2-17,
18--4-15, 16-

XXXIV.

By fin, though I be quite undone,
And there's no help below the moon:

(I) Mat. 1.12. Yet fefus Christ he (l) can me fave,
Who rose triumphing from the grave.

XXXV.

(m) 16. 1. 6. Though I be full of putrid (m) fores, (n) Gen 6. 5. Rom. 5. 14. My finful (n) nature good abhors; 18. (o) Mat. 9. Yet Christ is that physician (o) fure: His Panacea will me cure.

XXXVI.

Nor speak or think of things above:

But he'll come in with quickning grace,

And will afford my soul solace.

XXXVII.

(g) Eph. 2. 3. Though wrath (q) and curse I do deserve,

For many ways that I did swerve;

(r) Gal. 3. 13. Yet Christ the (r) curse did bear for me;

(s) Col. 2. 14. And nail'd my fins (f) unto a tree.

XXXVIII.

Though I deferve infernal pains;

Nothing in me but fin remains:

(4) Rom. S. I. His painful death shall me (s) relieve;

(4) Mat. 20.28. He did for me a (t) ransom give.

XXXIX.

(u) Dam 9. 8. Though I deferve eternal (u) shame,
For gross profaning of his name:
(v) 162.61.7. His ignominy (v) and disgrace,
Keeps me from a confounded face.

XL.

Like stars my fins (w) in number be, Or like the drops of ocean-sea; Yet do his mercies far (x) transcend In number, for they have no end. (w) Pl.40.12

(x) Psal. 103. 8, 11, 17.

XLI.

Even crimfon-red (y) by fin am I; My fins are of a double dye:

(y) Ifa. 1. 18.

Bur Christ will make (z) me white as fnow: Me to exalt, he came below.

(z) Ifa. 1. 18. I Joh. 1. 7.

XLII.

For us poor finners, for our fakes
Three offices he undertakes?
Then joyfully I'll fay and fing,
He is my Prophet, Priest and King.

A transition to CHRIST's offices.

THE

virtue to fome numbers.

THE

HOLY TRIPLICITY;

OR,

A Description of CHRIST'S THREE OF-FICES, with the devout soul's triumphingsong, upon the consideration of CHRIST's all-sufficiency and expectation of perfect redemption by him.

SECTION I.

I.

I'M not an Astrologue to gaze on the skies,

To talk much of Trigons (a) and Triplicities;
logues talk of the fiery, airy, earthy and watty Trigons.

(b) Pythagoras Ascribing much virtue to numbers condition:

aftribed much

Yet clearly I fee, Without any lye,

A mystery wrapped * in seven, and in three.

II.

Three *Persons* there are in Essence divine: Of angelic orders, thrice three, that is, nine: Twice three the *Creation-days* did compleat, GOD then did all finish he found to be meet.

Four

^{*} Some things natural run by fevens, as feven planets, feven metals, &c. Some things political; as the feven principal nations who have had the greatest fway of government in the world, as Chaldeans, Persians, Grecians, Romans, Saracens, Goths, Turks, &c. Seven mountains whereupon Rome was built. Seven Governments in Rome, &c. Some things ecclessation theological, as the seven day a Sabbath, the seventh year sabbatical; seven Sabbatisms make a Jubilee. Seven bullocks oft in sacrifices; seven angels, seven seals, seven trumpets, seven vials in the Revelation, &c.

Four threes are the twelve Tribes in *Israel*: So were the Apostles in truth that excell.

III.

So CHRIST our Redeemer by offices three He purchas'd falvation for me and for thee. He's king, and a priest, a prophet divine: So brings he the Elect in Glory to shine,

His own he rescues, His foes he subdues,

Though Furies Infernal their forces combine.

IV.

Our woful (c) defects they call for the three:

We're blind and we know not how faved to be.

Fince to be funciled by the prophetical office; our cal office; our cal office; our cal office; our difference and differe

By prophet we fee; By priest we draw nigh:

King Jesus gives strength, to God we may fly.

V.

All these our defects, they call for supply, Which JESUS my LORD vouchsafes unto me. I'm blind, and I cannot the way well descry; But Christ is the prophet to teach me the way.

His spirit and word, Shall help me afford,

From darkness to light, I'm led by my LORD.

VI.

My fins make a distance between me and GoD: For in his right path I have not abode.

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(c) Our ignorance to be fupplied by the prophetical office: our difference and alienation from God by the priefily; and or incorrectly or the courfelves by the kingly

His stroke is still ready to kill and destroy. To damp all my comforts, my peace and myjoy.

But CHRIST will with ease. The Father appeale.

As priest, he'll get pardon, and comfort will raife.

VII.

(a) CHRIST is priest, altar

As man (d) he's the Sacrifice, debt for to pay; and facrifice. For all our trespasses on him we do lay.

He's altar to fanctify the facrifice;

As God to inrich it, and give it a price.

As both God and man He's Priest, for he can

Plead, offer and pray, and so favour win.

VIII.

His kingdom he enters with scepter and sword; His Elect he conquers by spirit and word; By his holy laws he governs them all: His power protects them, whate'er can befal.

Their foes, he shall fright, With terror and might,

And crowns all his faints with glory most bright.

IX.

of faving finners requires three offices, viz. 1. explaining, 2. purchasing. 3. applying.

(e) The order (e) of faving, the offices clears; For first he explains it, and then he acquires: And after applies what purchase he wan; So comes there much comfort to comfortless man.

> As prophet, declares: As Priest, full of cares:

As King, he applies it, and keepeth from tears.

SECTION II.

The Soul's Triumphing-Song over all enemies, upon the confideration of CHRIST's all-fusficiency, and the expectation of that perfect redemption and glory purchased by him.

I.

Will then inferior comforts forfake,

My choice above all things great Jefus I'll tion.

make,

Though Satan should fret, and fortune should frown,

I do not much value, when CHRIST is my own.
In fickness and health,
In want and in wealth,

I will feek my Jesus: till he give a Crown.

II.

And though all the world against me conspire, And though all the elements, water and sire, The earth and the air, and what ever more, Though men should massacre and lions should

Though (f) universe round [roar, (f) Pial. 46.

Turn upfide that's down,

Yet Jesus can conquer and give me a crown.

III.

His love is transcendent, his power is great; Admitting no crossing, affliction or lett; He's faithful in promise, and alters no words; What wisdom contriveth, his power affords:

On these I rely, Until that I dy:

And then fing his praises to eternity.

Nothing mail terrify.

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IV.

IV.

(g) That is th. Devil, Key. 11.2, 3, 4. &c.

Pale death with his terrors me cannot affright. Nor yet the (g) red dragon with power and might:

Sin is their advantage, and guilt is their sting; But that is removed by Jesus our King.

> Then conquering I, Hosanna I'll cry

And found out all praises to Jesus on high.

? . Heb. i. ult.

When death me dissolveth, glad tidings I hear, (b) Luke 16. Tho' friends they forfake me, the (h) angels draw near

> Transporting my foul to mansions above: Then all things below me but vanities prove.

My Joy and my rest, Then find I at last:

For CHRIST I enjoy then of all things the best.

Comforts at Judgment.

And when the great day of judgment appears, Which brings to the guilty and godless their fears.

I'll be at his right hand with gladness of heart, (f) Mat. 25. (i) When sinners receive an eternal depart. 41, 42. He'll say unto me,

I chosen have thee, Ishalt be. (k)M11.25-14. And now with (k) my fervants thou bleffed

VII.

The glorioutness of heaven. (1) Pfal. 147.

The stars do bespangle the heaven as gems Which God doth (1) number and call by their names,

This is but a payment to that paradife, Where Christ, he resideth, that pearl of price.

Be

Upon the Estate of Grace.

Be humble therefore,
Admire and adore,

Let all thy aspiring be after this glore.

With Abrah'm and Isaac, I'll set me then down, The compa-My cross is exchang'd with a glorious crown. No hunger, (m) no thrist, no sickness appears; (m) Rev. 7.16. For Christ (n) from my eyes hath wiped all from evil.

With angels I dwell, [tears, (n) Rev. 21.4.

In light that excell:

But Christ I enjoy, and he's all in all (0). (4) Psal. 1.23.

My joy is so full, I seek not for more; Enjoyment of all good.

Of riches and honours I have so great store:

Nor can I be robbed, (p) no change do I fear. (p) Mat. 16.

My riches they rust not, nor garments do wear: 19, 20.

For ever and ay, They do not decay;

Bur last to eternity, O happy day!

Χ.

My exercise is to adore (q) and to sing, Sweet songs of high praises to Jesus my king. The more I do praise, more reason I find: For this finite vessel cannot comprehend,

Exercise in heaven. (q) Rev. 15. 3, 4.

The glory that's there,
That's free of all fear, [near.

Come quickly, (r) Lord Jesu, and cause me draw (r) Rev. 22.

Then on my Redeemer I'll fweetly rely, With comfort reposing until that I dy: Disclaiming, denying the world and all, I'll give no repulses, when he gives a call.

And for every thing, I'll joyfully fing,

A high hallelujah to Jesus my King.

THE

THE

BLESSED BETHLEHEMITE,

THE

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE;

O R,

CHRIST's EXCELLENCY:

Containing a farther description of the blessed Messiah, the LORD JESUS CHRIST, in his Types, Titles, Attributes, &c. Set down after the order of the Alphabet, with their Scriptures on the Margent, together with the explication of difficulties, out of the soundest, and most learned Interpreters.

I.

(a) Great joy in heaven and earth at the birth of our SAVIOUR. Mat. 2.1, 2. (b) I Pet. I. 18, 19. (c) Luke 2. 13, 14.

IS not for nought, that wife men fought

(a) To worship Christ new born:

Till by his blood (b) he had us bought,

We wretches were forlorn.

(c) The Heav'ns did ring, the angels fing,
And shout for joy to see,
That filly man, undone by fin,
Is fred of misery.

II.

(d) Mat. 2.6. (d) That bleffed Babe in Bethlehem born,
(e) 1 Cor. 15. (e) Is all in all to me;

As in this holy alphabet

Most plainly you may see.

Then

Then I'll begin to banish sin, Contemning worldly toys: With wings I'll fly and foar on high, Seeking for heav'nly joys.

A Christians pious resolu. tion upon the thoughts of CHRIST.

III.

I'll watch and pray, I'll mourn alway, For my transgressions great. With faith, hope, charity will I

Both read and meditate.

The first theme then that I will chuse For my instruction;

Christ's names and stiles I will peruse, And meditate upon.

SECTION II. A

HE's fecond * Adam who repairs What Adam did destroy. (f) He's Advocate, to plead for me That fin may not annoy. Christ's Alpha and Omega + blest:

Beginning and the end.

(g) That golden Altar whereupon. Our prayers may ascend.

(f) 1 John 2.

(g) Our prayers, praifes and all Chri-Rian duties must be offered up in his name; for in and thro' him, for his merits, righteoufnefs, and interceffions they must be accepted. Rev.

8. 3. Eph. 1.

6. 1 Pet. 2.5.

II.

The first Adam being author of natural generation, derived into the world, fin, wrath and condemnation. CHRIST the fecond Adam, being the author of a spiritual generation, by grace and free adoption, was the sountain of life, grace, mercy and eternal falvation. 1 Cor. 15. 45. Rom. 5. 19, 19, &c. Heb. 7. 25.

† This is an allusion to the Greek Alphabet, whereof Alpha is the first letter and Omega the last: So CHRIST as God, is the Laginning of all things, effentially and originally, being before all things (2.) Fifectively, as Creator of all things, Heb. 1.2. John 1.3. So he is the end of all, first, terminatively, as the end and scope of all; all things being for his glory. 2. Continuatively, for duration; for after the destruction of some things, and alteration of all, though all things should be annihilated, yet he should continue fill the same, unchangeable God for ever. Rom. 9. 5. James 1, 17.

II.

III.

* Amen, the truth of promises.

The (h) Ancient of days.

† The Angel of the covenant.

‡ Anointed, us to raise.

Of our profession he's the great

(i) Heb. 3. 1. (i) Apostle, above all.

(k) Cant. 2. 3. (k) Delicious Apple- tree that yields
Affording
fielter, refreshment and

freshment and the sweet fruits of pardon, grace, peace, mercy,

don, grace, peace, mercy, An * Ark wherein the richest store and consolation to his olect.

Ark for my soul, † that it by sin

And wrath may not be drown'd.

(I)Rom,5.11. Atonement (I) is to make my peace,
And expiate my fin:

(m)Heb.12.2. Author (m) and finisher of faith That favour I may win.

SEC-

+ The Revealer, Me i ter, and foundation of the Covenant of Grace.

Isa. 63. 9. Heb. 8. 6 .-- 9. 1 .-- 12 24.

1 Furnished with all qualifications suitable to a Redeemer. Psal. 45. 7.

Acts 4 27.

† As the Ark of Noah preserved a Remnant, when the most part perished 3

fo doth Christ preserve the Elect from the deluge of Wrath.

^{*} Amen is an Hebrew word from Aman, which in the conjugation Hiphil, fignifies to believe. It imports then, fidelity and fledfastness in Christ, for the fulfilling of his promises. Rev. 3, 14, 2 Cor. 1, 20.

^{*,} The A:k of the Covenant was a type of Christ, Heb. 9. 4. For 1. As in that ask was keeped precious monuments, such as, the Pot of Manna, the Tables of the Law, &c. 10 in Ghrist is sound all fulness of incomparable excellencies, Col. 2. 9. And as they covered the Tables of the Law, so doth Christ by his Merits, Righteousness and Intercessions keep up the Law from bringing a Curse and wrath upon us, Gal. 3.13.

SECTION III. B.

Hat bessed Babe in Bethlehem born For me his blood did spend. Beloved (a) of the Father, hence (a) Eph. 1.6. Love doth to man descend. The Bishop of our (b) souls, to watch (3) 1 Pet. 2.25. The filly straying sheep: In Gospel's net our souls to catch; And in his ways to keep. The bravest (c) Branch on Jesse's stem, (ė) Ifa. 4. i. Jer. 23. 5; That ever on it grew. The Brazen * Serpent, which me cur'd When fin and wrath me flew. That Bread (d) of life which whoso ears

III.

The Bride-groom (e) of my foul, whose love

Shall not with hunger pine.

Is better than the wine.

The Brightness of the (f) Father's glore +, (g) Heb.1.13. Col. 1. 15. In whom the Deity shines. He's ocean (g) full of faving grace (b) Col 1. 19. · - - 2. g. More cordial then the wines. Then I'll begin to banish sin, &c.

* As the people of Ifrael were cured of the stings and bitings of fiery Serpents in the wilderness by locking on the Brazen Serpent, Num. 21. 9. So are Believers cured from the stings and wounds of sin and Saran by looking with the eye of faith on Jesus lifted up upon the pole of the Cross. John

7. 14.

† This is verified of CHRIST, first, in his divine nature, having the same effence with the Father, second y, in his human nature, by his heavenly

doctrine and flupendious miracles.

SEC-

(e) Joh. 6.35.

(f) Joh 3.29.

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SECTION IV. C.

He Captain (a) of falvation fout; (b)Cant.5.10. Of thousands ten (b) the Chief. (c) Acts 4.27. A (c) Child, yet champion foes to rout,

And bring my foul relief.

(d) Cant.1.14. A Cluster is of sweet (d) Camphire Full of foul faving grace.

(t) Isa. 54. 4. A kind (e) Commander me to cheer, And bring my foul to peace.

II.

(f) Luk.2.25. Israel's (f) Consolation.

(g) 1 Pet. 2. 6. The (g) Corner-stone is he, Both Few and Gentile for to joyn (b) Ifa. 49.8. In one church curioufly. Christ is the Mediator, the He's given us for a (h) Covenant, Which God and man hath ty'd. jest and comfort in the covenant of

A (i) Covert from God's stormy wrath grace. My (k) Counfeller and Guide. (i) Ifa. 32. 2. (k) Ifa. 9. 6.

SECTION V. D.

AVID according to God's heart, (a) Jer. 39.9. (a Hof. 3. 5. Goliath for to flay; To kill ten thousands of my foes

And drive them all away. (b) 2 Pet. 1.9. (b) Day-star to bring the Morning light: Rev. 21. 27.

(c) Deliverer him I'll call. (c) Ifa.59.20. Rom. 11. 26. (d) Ifa. 42. 1. The holy Father's chief (d) Delight. (c) Hag. 2. 7.

(e) Desire of nations all.

Upon the Estate of Grace.

A Divine (f) Doctor who hath wit Thrice infinite in store.

A(g) Door whereby we access get Into celestial glore.

Then I'll begin, &c.

(f) Luk. 2, 25. --- 4. 18.

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(g) Joh. 10. 7,8.

SECTION VI. E.

THE (h) Eagle on his foaring wings His brood doth bear away

Far from all danger, so my soul By Christ is kept alway.

My (i) Elder-brother for my good The (k) Elect one of might.

An (1) Enfign lifted up on high Mine enemies to fright.

(m) End of the law, for 'tis a guide And school-master to show,

That my foul fins without his aid Will quite me overthrow.

The (n) end also of ceremonies,

For shadows they do fly, When Christ the substance on the cross 'Tis finished did cry.

III.

(o) As Enoch most religious Did ever walk with God,

And after caught to heav'n, where he Eternal hath abode.

(p) He's

(b) Ex. 19.4.

(i) Heb. 2. 11.

(k) Ifa. 42. 1, (1) Ifa. 11.11. 12. All the elect flock to him, and delight to fight against spiritual enemics under his conduct.

(m) Rom. 10.

(n) Joh 1. 17. Gal. 4. 3, 4.

(b) Gen. 5.24.

(*) 16a. 9. 6. (p) He's everlasting Father too,
For Essence is but one:
In blessed Three, yet person'ly
He is the Father's son.

SECTION VII. F.G.H.

I.

(1) Plal. 45,2. E's (q) fairer than the fons of men:
A faithful Steward he.
Faithful in witness and in word

(r) Rev.1.11. He's (r) first and last I see.

(f)Mat.3.11. With fire of grace (f) he'll me Baptize,
To purge away my tin,
And if need be affliction's fire
Shall mortify my fin.

II.

(1) 1 Cor. 15. (s) First fruits of resurrection; 20, 23. First in order He's the foundation sure. of time, first (t) The Fountain whence the living streams for quality, being chief, Do flow, my foul to cure. as also being the author (11) As Forerunner, he's gone before, and pledge of our refurrec-Those mansions to prepare, tion. (t)Zech. 13.1. Where bleffed faints in perfect glore (4) Heb.6,20. And elect angels are.

III.

(2) Joh.4.10, (v) The goodly Gift of God bestow'd On Adam's wretched race.

(w) Luke 2. (w) The Glory of his Israel:

And true God for solace:

(*) Mat. 2.5. He's my great (x) Governor and Guide My foes he will deface.

Head

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(y) Head of the church, he's (z) Heir of all, $\binom{y}{21}$, $\binom{p}{21}$, $\binom{p}{21}$, $\binom{p}{22}$. He is my (a) Hiding place. (z) Heb. 1. 2. (a) Isa. 32. 2. IV. (b) The High and Lofty One so great (b) Ifa. 57.15. (c) High- priest for sacrifice; (c) Heb.4.15. (d) The Holy One of Israel, · (d) Ifa. 1. 4. And Israel's Hope he is. (e) The Horn of my falvation strong, (e) Luk. 1.64. To push my foes away. (f) A loving Husband to my foul, (f) Luk. 21.2.

SECTION VIII. I.K.L.M.

My grief for to allay.

I.

HE's (g) JESUS or That JOSHUA great, (g) Mat. 1.25.
To keep my foul from hell.
The land of promise will me give
Gracious IMMANUEL.

(h) IMMANUEL, that is, God with us, (b) i.e. God With us, (c) i.e. God With us, (d) i.e.

Concur and come so near!

II.

As (i) Jonah cast into the depth,

Yet he's restor'd again

After three days. A (k) Joseph sold

By brethren with disdain,

Betrayed and sold for little Gold,

(i)Mat. 12.40

(k)Gen. 37.28

comp. with

Mat. 26. 15.

Yet for his Brethrens good:
For they had famish'd had he not
Provided them with food.

An

III.

(1) Gen.22.9. An (1) Isaac on the Altar laid,
with Isa. 53.
And that most willingly

Lie foul for Group of Gripe and Isaac

His foul for fin an offering made;

Hence my felicity.

(n) Luk.2.10. (n) My Joy, my (n) Intercessor dear:
(n) Heb.7.25.
(o) 1 Pet. 4.5.

A (o) Judge that will not sway.

The King of Kings, for opening hearts,

(p) Of David hath the key.

(p) Isa. 22. 4. Rev. 3. 7.

IV.

(q)Gen.28.12 A (q) Ladder leading up to heav'n, facob's ladder

a type of The meekest (r) Lamb of God.

Christ and his angels.

A (f) Law-giver to frame and send

(r) Jch. 1.29. His statutes all abroad.

Rev. 21. 22. A (s) Leader, (t) Life and glorious (u) Light.

(f) James 4. A (v) Lilly white and fair.

(1) Ifa. 58. 4. Of Judah's tribe the (w) Lyon flout.
(1) John 14.6. Of Judah's tribe the (w) Lyon flout.
(4) John 8.12.

(w) Cant. 2.1. (w) Rev. 5.5. (x) 1 Pet. 2.4. A living (x) from * and rare.

V.

(y)Mat.7.21. A (y) LORD of LORDS: for other lords
Have fmall supremacy.

Therefore I'll follow thee,

(4) Heb.2.17. The (a) Man, restoring man to life. (b) Joh.6.5.3. Sweet (b) Manna for my food.

(c) Joh. 13.13. My (c) Master to instruct my soul, And teach me what is good.

VI.

^{*} CHRIST is a spiritual Stone, lively in the spiritual building of the Church, solid, durable, bruising enemies, and the chief Corner-stone to join Jew and Gentile into one church, as also a most precious Stone sull of transcendent virtues.

VI.

The (d) Mediator for my fin

The Father to appease.

(e) Melchizedeck the righteous King,

To give me rest and ease.

(f) Messiah the Anointed one,

To be Priest, Prophet, King.

The (g) Messenger of Covenant,

(d) ITim.2.3.

(e) Psal.110.4.

Heb. 5. 6.

(f) Dan.9.25.

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The (g) Messenger of Covenant,

(g) Mal.3.1.

The (g) Messenger of Covenant, Glad tidings for to bring. VII. The (h) Mercy-feat: he mercy gives, (b) Heb. g. s. When merit I have none. (i) Most Mighty, and he's (k) Minister (i) Pfal. 45.3. (k)Rom. 15.8. Of Circumcision. Preaching falvation unto (1) Of Myrrh a bundle to revive: the circum-A Cordial for the faint. cifed Jews. (1) Cant. 1.13. Though we were dead, he'll make us live For this his blood was spent.

SECTION IX. N.O.P.Q.R.

Life to the world gave.

I.

A (a) New and living Way to bring
To Canaan above.

A (b) Nazarite separate from sin,
Most worthy of our love.

As (c) Noah did an Ark prepare
A remnant for to save,

When all the world was drown'd; fo Christ

II.

II.

By wo and wrath, sin, shame and death Which make a fatal end, We all had perish'd, but his blood. For ransom he did send.

(d) Rom. 11. An (d) Olive, with the sap of grace 17, 24. For ever fresh and green.

(e) Cant. 1. 3. An (e) Ointment poured forth and full, Of odour and perfume.

III.

(f) 1Cor. 5.7. The (f) Passover for me was slain; The Paschal-Lamb for food: Our hearts by faith bedew'd must be And sprinkled with his blood. That the destroying angel may Pass by and do not kill. (g) Mic. 5. 5. He is our (g) Peace, and (h) Pearl of price

Eph. 2. 14. With riches us to fill. (b) Mat. 13. 26.

IV.

(i) Mal. 4. 2. A choice (i) Physician for my foul: Mat.9.12,13. (k) Ifa. 53. 2. A (k) Plant of great renown: A (1) polish'd shaft: The (m) Pow'r of GoD, (!) Ifa. 49. 2. To pierce the To pull mine enemies down. hearts of rebellious fin-(n) Priest +, offering, and the altar too: ners, either for conviction He is my (o) Prince of Peace,

> A (p) Propitiation good and true: A (q) Prophet full of grace.

(n) Pf. 110.4. (o) Ifa. 9. 9. (p) 1 Joh. 4.10.

or conversion. (m) 1 Cor. 1.

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(9) Luke 13. + Priest as Mediator God-man, the Sacrifice, in his human Nature, and the Altar in his divine Nature, fanctifying the Sacrifice, giving it worth, merit, and value.

. Q. R.

V.

A (r) Quickning Spirit to revive A foul in fin that's dead.

(f) Rabbi to teach, a (s) Ransom for A soul that's captive led.

Ev'n my Redeemer with his blood. He's (t) Righteousness to fave.

A (u) Refurrection from the dead, Triumphing o'er the grave.

VI.

Of (v) ages Rock impregnable,
The (w) Root of Jesse strong.
The (x) Rose of Sharon beautiful:
(y) He's Ruler us among.

SECTION X. S.

I.

A (a) Sacrifice for all our fins.

A (b) Sanctuary fecure.

The true (c) Samaritan, my foul

That's wounded for to cure.

(d) A Samfon, thousands to destroy, Of Philistins prophane:

The gates of Gaza bare away, Death's gates for all his train.

II.

And in his Death, O wonderful!
The greatest victory
He gets o'er sin, grave, Satan, hell,
And routs them totally.

(r) 1 Cor. 15.

(1) Joh. 8.494 (1) Ifa. 54. 20. 1 Cor. 1. 30.

(t) 1 Cor. 1.30.
(u) Joh. 11.25.
Being the author and caufe both of the fpiritual refurrection from fin, and the corporal refurrection at the great day.
(v) Mat. 16.18
(vv) Ha 11 10.
Rev. 5.5.
(x) Cant. 2.1.

(a) Hab. 9.20.

(b) ffa. 8. 1.4.

(y) Mic. 5. 2.

(r) Luke 10. 33.

(d) Judg. ts, and chap. 16.

(e) John4.41. A (e) Saviour my poor foul to fave.

(f) Levit.16. The (f) Scape-Goat for to bear

8, 10.
(g) Heb.6.8. My woful fins, his (g) Scepter brave

Doth free my foul of fear.

III.

(b) Phil. 2.7. A (b) Servant for our fouls he was:
(i) Gon.49 10. (i) Shiloh fent for our good:
The Son eternal, heir of all:
A Shepherd us to feed.

(k) Isa.49.22. (k) A Standard to the world display'd:

(1) Num. 24. The (1) Star of Jacob bright:

(m) 1 Pet. 2.4. A (m) Stone most precious, though refus'd:

(n) Mal. 4.2. A (n) Sun that's full of light.

IV.

A Sun of Righteousness, I say,
To quicken and direct:
From him's my comfort, light and life,
He's surety for my debt.

SECTION XI. T. W.

I.

(d) Mat. 3.17. A (a) Tabernacle, where our fuits
John 14. 14.

Have answers most Divine.

(b) John 2.19. (b) A Temple, where the Deity dwells:

(c) John 14.6.

He's (c) truth to clear my mind.

(d) Rev. 2.7. The Tree (d) of life, far from all strife,

With meat and medicine,

Shall me supply and satisfy,

When paradife I win.

II.

His foul refreshing cordial grace, Like (e) waters flow amain: The Way (f) conducting to that place

(e) Isa. 55. 1.

Where Souls are free of pain.

(f) Joh. 14.6.

(g) Vine-Tree to cherish me and give The sap of saving Grace,

(g) John 15.

The Father's (h) Wisdom, (I believe)
A (i) Witness for release.

(b) 1 Cor. 1.24. (i) See on the word faithful.

III.

The (k) Word of God effential;
The subject, scope and end
Of Written-word, and (l) Wonderful
Salvation to send.

(k) John 1.16.

(1) If a. 9. 6. Wonderful in respect of his natures united into one perfon, in respect of his offices, words, works, and sufferings.

SECTION XII. Y. Z.

I.

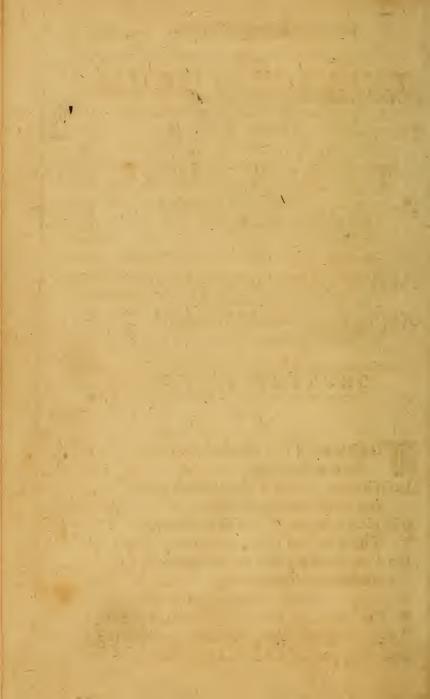
TO Day and (a) Yesterday the same, Ev'n to Eternity, His Wisdom, power and goodness great,

(a) Heb.13.8.

Are forthcoming to me. So (b) Zealous for the house of God,

(b) Pfal 69 9. John 2. 17.

That nothing could restrain
Him from the shedding of his blood,
To ransom them again.



TYPUS TYPORUM.

OR, A

TABLE

OF

The several Types, Titles and Attributes of JESUS CHRIST according to the nature of the things themselves, as in the former treatise, they were set down after the order of the Alphabet.

Advertisement anent the scope, use and form of this Table, &c.

THE use of this Table explained in the former song, is manifold, as sirst, for Information, to let us see these matchless and incomparable excellencies that are in Jesus Christ our Lord. 2. For consolation: The heart of a sincere Christian cannot but be silled with ravishing and transporting joys when it beholds such excellencies in Christ; and then begins to find a title and interest in them.

3. For spiritual Devotion, every Type and Title almost affording excellent compellations to Christ, ground of considence to draw near,

matter of prayer and praise; as for example, one in praying may say, Lord, thou who art the King of Kings, subdue my rebellious Spirit to thyself, by the Scepter of thy word and Spirit, &c. that I may be of the number of thy willing people: preserve me powerfully from my spiritual enemies, &c. Thou who art that vigilant Shepherd of Souls, protect me from the roaring Lyon Satan who is ready to tear me, and lead me to the living Waters, &c. 4. For matter of Meditation: every Type or Title, &c. affording heavenly matter for the exercise of our spiritual thoughts.

II. As to the exactness of it, it were easy to make it more scholastick and reduce it all to Dichotomies, but I thought this sufficient for the most of ordinary Christians.

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Here follows the Table.

TYPUS TYPORUM,

OR A TABLE OF THE

NAMES, TYPES AND TITLES OF CHRIST,

According to the Nature of the Things themselves, as the last was after the Order of the Alphabet, &c.

According to the Nature of the Unings themselves, as the last was after the Order of the Aliphavet, &c.					
6		(1. Typical: as Adam, Enoch, Jonah, Joseph, Isaac, Melchizedec, Nazarite, Joshua, Samson, David, &c. (1. More general: as Anointed, Chief, Elect, First and Last, Governor, Guide, High and Losty One, Holy One of Israel, Hope of Israel, Lovely, Man, Ruler, Shiloh, Wonderful, &c. Beloved, Fairer than the Sons of Men, &c.			
T JESUS our blessed Saviour in Person, Attributes, Benefits, &c. represented by	1	2. Emblema-	1	[1. Conjugal; as, Husband and Bridegroom of the Church.	
	[I.]	tical, and that	1	1. Oeco-{ 2. Paternal; as, Everlasting Father, Child, Babe, Son, Heir of All, &c.	
	Perfons.	eitherCelesti-	2. More	nomical. 3. Herile; as Master, Servant, Faithful in God's house, as Steward, or Dispensator, Shepherd, &c.	
		al, as Angel,	{ special,	1. Paci- 1. For Restauration; as Physician, Deliverer, Redeemer, Samaritan, Saviour, &c.	
		Arch-angel,	and that	2. Civil fical, or 2. For Protection, Provision, Direction and Promotion, &c. As King of Kings,	
		or fublunary;		or Poli- Peace- Lord of Lords, Prince of Peace, Judge, Law-giver, Counsellor, Advocate, In-	
		and these,		tical. able. terceffor, Mediator, Surety, Fore-runner, &c.	
			Relati-	2. Martial; as Captain, Lord of Hosts, Commander, &c. most Mighty, Leader, &c.	
				3. Ecclesiastical as Apostle, Doctor, Bishop of Souls, Author and Finisher of our Faith, First Fruits	
				from the Dead, Glory of Israel, Head of the Church, High Priest, Messiah, Minister of Circum-	
				cision, Priest, Prophet, Rabbi, Messenger of the Covenant, &c.	
		[1. Spiritual; as Consolation, Gift, Truth, Joy, To Day and Yesterday the same, Zealous, &c.			
	2.	2. Natural. {	1. Celestial	; as Sun, Light, Morning-star, &c.	
				Ani- { 1. Sensitive; as Lyon, Lamb, Eagle, &.c. } 2. Insensitive and Vegetable; as Vine-tree, Apple-tree, Branch, Camphire, Myrrh, Rose of	
			2. Sub- m	2. Intentitive and Vegetable; as Vine-tree, Apple-tree, Branch, Camphire, Wyrri, Role of Sharon. Plant. Root of Telle, Tree of Life, &c.	
		į	al. 2.	Inanimate; as Horn of Salvation, Stone precious, Corner-stone, Pearl, Rock, Fire, Waters, Gold,	
I S	Things.	Milk, Wine, Oyl, Fountain, &c.			
CHRIS' Offices,		3. Ecclesiastical; as Altar, Ark, Atonement, Tabernacle, Temple, End of the Law, Offering, Mercy-seat, Passover, Pro-			
H		pitiation, Righteousness, Resurrection, Sacrifice, Scape-goat, &c.			
0		4. Political; and that \(\) 1. Peaceable; as Covenant, Way, Peace, Scepter, Eye-falve, &c.			
		2. Martial; as Enfign, Ranfom, Standard, &c.			
		5. Occonomical; as Corner-stone, Door, Foundation, Key of David, Ladder, &c.			
			I. Typica	al; as Brazen Serpent, Tabernacle, Temple, &c. 1. Peaceable; for Health, Ease, Honour, &c. Bread, Eye-salve, Robes of Righteousness, Ointment,	
		6. Artificial.		Scantag he makes his Deeple as Pillars &c.	
			blema-{	Scepter, he makes his People as Pillars, &c.	
			ticai.	2. Martial; as Polished Shaft, &c.	

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SAINT'S DELIGHT,

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WHEREIN

CHRIST's transcendent excellencies are comparatively demonstrated (having treated of them absolutely before) so that all things else compared with him are found to prove but empty vanities, but dung and loss, Phil. 3.

8. and CHRIST is found to be superlatively excellent, and to be the complete, and adequate object of the love, desire and delight of rational creatures.

PART I.

I.

You (a) Seraphims and higher pow'rs, Thrones, cherubins and angels all; You minister in several tow'rs, Though you be sp'rits celestial, What are you? what are you?

(b) Ye ferve Lord Jesus at a call.

Curist compared with angels. (a) Ifa. 6, 2. Col. 1. 16. Eph. 1. 21.

(b) Dan.7.10.

II.

Great luminaries, fun and moon,
You radiant stars in heavenly spheres;
You serve both day, at night and noon,
And give influx as need requires:

Celestial things visible.

What

What are you? &c.

(c) Mal. 4. 2. (c) When fun of Righteousness appears.

III.

Metals, mi-You gold and filver, diamonds, rerals and pre-You gold and filver, diamonds, gious stones.

Rich minerals for man's de

Rich minerals for man's device, Ye rubies, faphires, precious stones,

Which please mens fancies that are nice;

What are ye? &c.

Ye're nothing to that pearl (d) of price.

IV.

Vegetables. You stately fir and cedar tall,

You fruitful vine, and apple rife,

Trees. You myrtle, cherry, cypress all

And laurel that decides the strife;

What are ye? &c.

(e) Rev. 2.7. (e) What are you to the tree of life?

V.

You violet and dainty rofe, Solfequium, and the lilly fair,

You fragrant flowers fit for the nose,
Delighting eyes with colours rare:

What are ye? &c.

(f) Cant. 2.1. (f) Our Sharon's role surpasseth far.

VI.

Animals irrational.

You ramping lyon, elephant,

Ye Horses with your stately pace,

Ye harts that for the waters pant,

Ye goats and gray-hounds are but base,

Ye're naught to Christ that valiant,

(g) Rev. 5. 5. That lyon of (g) Jehuda's race.

VII.

VII.

You man that is God's master-piece, Man in ge-Among all creatures hast no peer; Thou art the rarest artifice. (h) And to Jehovah comes most near, (b) Gen. 1. What are you? &c. (i) When fecond Adam doth appear. (i) 1 Cor. 155

VIII.

Ye mighty monarchs that do fway The scepter, ye're but flesh and bone:

All ranks of men, and firft kings.

(k) Ye're Gods, but I'll be bold to fay, Like men you shall dy every one.

(4) Pfal. 82.6.

What are ye? &c.

When heav'ns King sits on the throne.

IX.

Ye potentates and noble peers, Ye stoop when princes do but frown:

Noblemen, courtiers, &th

Ye have great pomp for some few years,

(1) But fuddenly ye are cast down. What are ye? &.c.

(1) Pfala 41+

The faint he wears the noble crown.

Χ.

Ye learned doctors with your books, High contemplations you do teach; Learned men of all forts.

(m) Your doctrine flows like muddy brooks, (m) I Cor. 10 The shell of knowledge you but reach:

preach.

Ama

What are ye? &c. (n) When Christ from heav'n doth wildom (n) 1 Cor. t. 30. Joh. 14.61 1 Cor. 1. 240

XI.

Ye grave divines, ye stars of light, Ye watchmen, and the stewards true,

Divines.

H

Ambassadors to God of light,

(0) Jer. 17. (0) The fubtile heart ye cannot know: What are ye? &c.

(p) Joh. 1. 9. (p) Who

-unc 2. 46.

Ifa. 29. 14.

(p) When Christ comes down with glorious show.

XII.

Physicians. Ye great physicans, who relieve
The body from tormenting pain,
Some sickness fore yourselves doth grieve,
And cannot life recall again:

What are ye? &c. [vain.

(q) Psal.49.9. (q) When death comes all your labour's

XIII.

Lawyers. Ye Jurists that are vers'd in law,

(r) Eccl. 1. 175. (r) Ye cannot rectify the state,

Nor one poor soul with pleading draw,

From justice throne, or Pluto's gate:

What are ye? &c.

(f) Christ is the pleader, ye but prate.

XIV.

Mathematicians, Aftrologues, &c. (s) Ifa. 47. The change of nature and of state, (s) Ifa. 47. Can ye prevent tumultuous jarrs? Or can ye alter your own fate?

What are ye? &c.

(t) Am. 3. 6. (t) When Christ inverts both day and date.

XV.

Ye men of war with sword and shield,
With mind heroick, strong and stout,
Like Alexander in the sield

To conquer ye do never doubt:

What

What are ye? &c.

(u) He's valiant, that doth Satan rout.

(u) Eph 6: 12, 13, &c. James 4 7. Rom. 16. 20.

Navigators.

XVI.

Ye navigators, that traverse

Remotest Indies east and west,

With wings of Icarus commerce,

And Eolus makes all your haste:

What are ye? &c.

Ye perish by a stormy (v) blast.

(v) Pfal. 48. 7.

XVII.

Merchants that compass sea and land, The pirates you do oft bereave,

(w) One foul from Pluto's cruel hand Though you be rich you cannot fave?

What are ye? &c.

Let me have Christ no more I crave,

Merchants.

(su) From the power of Sa-

Temporal.

PART II.

Holding forth the emptiness and vanity of all fublunary enjoyments, by general arguments taken from the common nature of all created comforts, with a transition to the next treatise.

HEalth, beauty, strength, ye are but flow'rs, Soon withered with a stormy blast, enj. vments. 1. Personal endowments. Decrepit age and fickness show'rs, external.

To dust makes you return in haste:

What are ye? &c.

(x) Christ is my choice, for he is best.

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II.

(a) Mat. 23.

II.

2. Prosperity. You flattering fortune with your smile.

(y) Phil. 30.6.

(y) Whose favour filleth all my sails,

(z) Job 1. 21.

(z) Your change will shortly me beguile,

I do not prize your prosp'rous gales:

What are you? &c.

(a) Christ is the friend that never fails.

III.

You glist'ring gold and silver bright,
Which mortal men do so desire;
You precious gems that shine with light,
You carbuncle, that's like the sire:
What are you? &c.
It is for Christ that I aspire.

IV.

The rustick fears your threatning rod;
In orb of state ye give a glance,

(b) Pfal. 82. And idoliz'd (b) as if a God:

(f) Ifa.40.15. I count you all (c) an atom fmall; If Christ with me make his abode.

V.

5-Friends and fav'rites that are great, and relations.

I will not on you much rely:

(d) Pfal. 146. 3,4. M.c.7.5. Ye love to day, (d) to morrow hate: And where's your help when that you dy:

What are ye? &c. [cry.

(e) Pfal.25.10. (e) When friends for sake, he'll hear my

VI.

6. Children. Ye children are but pleasant toys
Delighting parents when you prate,

Some

Some fickness grieves, some death destroys, And some of you do prove ungrate: What are ye? &c.

Ye're good, but yet inferior joys.

VII.

7. Wifdom Ye fublime notions and acute, and know-That reach both depth and starry sky; ledge.

Before the Judge ye're turned mute,

(f) If grace do you not fanctify:

What are ye? &c. (g) Christ is that wisdom from on high.

(f) Ila. 29.14. --- 33. 18. r Cor. 1. 20. Eccl. 1.17, 18. (g) 1 Cor. 1.

VIII.

You sumptuous fare, delicious wine, 8. Senfual You Indian fruit that's bought so dear: pleasures.

You flattering Venus fair and fine,

That doth the vicious wanton cheer:

What are you? &c. (h) When Sun of Righteousness draws John 4. 14.

You purple robes and cloath of gold, 9. Apparel and orna-Whose mother is the brute and dust: ments.

You're cast away, when you wax old: Your borrowed beauty foon doth ruft:

What are you? &c.

(i) The wedding garment is my trust.

(i) Mat. 22. 11, 12.

Ye gilded trifles more or less,

(k) Can ye your comforts eternize? (1) Can ye man's happiness increase, When man ye do not equalize, What are ye? &c.

(m) Let me have CHRIST, he will suffice. (1) Ecci. 2.15.

Commen arguments. s. From their unconstancy, inutility and inequality to man.

(k) Eccl. 1.1,3. XI. (m) Phil. 3.3.

XI.

2. They are Then I'll conclude with Solomon, cares and vexations.

Created comforts all I fee,
Are empty trifles every one,

(a) Eccl. 1. (n) Nothing but vexing vanity:

What are ye? &c.

When CHRIST appears in majesty.

XII.

3. Emptines, No more than can a circle round being unfatisfactory. The sharp triangle satisfy;

(6) Eccl. 7.5. No more my heart, (0) all that's here found,
But ever-bleffed Trinity.

What are you? &c.

When Christ comes with his rich supply.

XIII.

4. They are 'They're finite things, that's here below, finite and temporal. My foul, it sues for more and more:

A spiritual object you must show:

And I must have some richer store.

What are ye? &c.

When Christ comes with his heav'nly glore.

XIV.

Nothing abides in constant frame,

(p) Ev'n like to Proteus, or the air,

(p) Like the fea ebbing and flowing.

Them to the dew I may compare:

Eccl. 2. 4. to What are you? &c.

When Christ comes with his treasure fair.

XV.

To morrow fick, to day in health,

To day I'm bound, to morrow free;

To morrow poor, to day in wealth:

To day I'm low, to morrow high.

What are you? &c.

When joys come with eternity?

XVI.

You crazy comforts are but mixt,

With as great croffes at your best;

You're blazing stars, and are not fixt; You're trifling toys that have no last.

What are you? &c.

(q) When Christ comes with eternal rest; (q) Heb. 4.9.

XVII.

But now the (r) Day-star doth appear, Above th' horizon it doth rise:

(f) The Sun of Righteousness draws near, With light and life down from the skies;

What are you? &c.

When this fair foaring eagle flies?

XVIII.

You're broken cisterns less and more, That living water cannot give:

You cannot give me grace and glore, That ever bleffed I may live:

What are you? &c.

But broken reeds you all do prove.

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5. Imper-

fection and

Transition to the next treatise. (r) 2Pet.L 19. (f) Mal. 4. 2.

----32. 33.

This is a very comprehen-

five promise,

when all that is in God and flows from

God is forth-

HONEY-DROPS

OR,

CHRYSTAL-STREAMS,

CONTAINING

A bundle of precious promises, full of soulravishing comforts, purchased by CHRIST, and belonging to Believers in the estate of grace.

SECTION I.

The grand and comprehensive promises of God himself, of CHRIST, and to inherit all things, and the unchangeableness of God's goodness, with the foul's use of all.

F God's great goodness now I'll sing, I will his mercy praise, For to extoll Jehovah King

A quiv'ring voice I'll raise. (a) Jer. 24. 7. I'll be thy (a) God, thou fayst, O LORD,

This promis'd is to me: What highest heaven can afford

I will vouchfafe on thee.

II.

coming to his For this poor earth thou needst not care, Thou shalt inherit (b) all: (b) Rev. 21.7.

(c) Rom, 8, 17, With Christ my Son thou shalt be (c) heir; In glore celestial.

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O pause (d) my soul, and be amaz'd

At this transcendent grace;

And for thy vileness be abas'd,

Be sure to make thy peace.

III.

Oh what am I but finful dust,
And shall I have such store
Of riches, that shall never rust
In that eternal glore?
Is't not enough, I'm not in hell.
Tormented in that fire?
For oft did I thy voice repell,
Provoking thee to ire.

IV.

And shall not only thou relieve
Me from th' infernal lake,
But also promisest to give
Good things for mercy's sake.
And shall I not have only crumbs
Which from thy table fall:

But more than all the richest sums Of gold and silver all.

V.

And shall it not suffice to give
What creatures can afford?
But thou wilt have me for to live,

Ev'n with thyself, O Lord!

Shall God then be my (e) portion? His wisdom to direct?

His goodness for compassion, His power to protect.

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(e) Pial. 119. 57. All God's artributes for the good of his people.

VI.

(d) The fonl is transported with admiration of this incomparable mercy.

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fideration of

this incomprehenfible mercy.

The unchang-

ablaness and perpetuity of

Gud's mercy.

18, 19.

VI.

His holiness to fanctify? His all-sufficient store, Me to provide with rich supply? Blest be my God therefore. Shall his high habitation, Even be my dwelling place? (4) Rom. 8. And shall his (f) creatures every one Make way for my folace?

VII.

(g) Pfal, 34.7. Shall his brave (g) angels me furround, And guard me from all ill? O this great mercy hath no bound! Sing praises then I will. (b) Pfal. 103. O then, (h) my foul, let all thy strength The foul's And faculties each one, refolution upon the con-Be consecrate to God at length

For his falvation.

VIII.

Thy time and talent then bestow, His name to glorify? Who did to thee fuch mercy show, Praise him most cheerfully. (i) Pfal. 103. But as this mercy's (i) great and free, 11 .--- 145. 8. So doth it still endure, (1) Pfal. 136. Most firm and sure (k) t' eternity,

IX.

None shall their foul injure.

Willaggers. A woman (1) may forgetful be Of Infants to her born:

But though she would, yet will not God Me leave to be forlorn.

The (m) mountains may removed be: The day and night may change,

(m) Ifa.54.10.

The hills be cast (n) into the Sea: Though heaven and earth do range.

(n) Pfal. 46.2.

X.

Yet fure will he, most tenderly, His precious faints embrace.

In fpight (0) of hell, they shall prevail, (0) Mat. 16.
And see his glorious face.

I'm grav'n (p) upon his palms, therefore (p) Isa 49-10.

I'll not forgotten be;

Though I were (q) ev'n at death's dark vale, (q) Pfal.23.4. It shall not terrify.

XI.

His wrath (r) may for a moment last, To chasten me for sin;

(r) Ifa. 54. 7, 8.

Yet everlasting kindness, I,
And favour hope to find.
Then I'll begin to banish sin,

Contemning wordly toys.

With wings I'll fly and foar on high, Seeking for heav'nly joys.

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affliction.

SECTION II.

Promises of privative mercies, anent afflictions or tribulations, either to preserve God's people from them, to support under them, to sanctify them, and deliver out of them.

I.

(a) Pfal. 39. WIth rods of (a) men I'll thee correct,
But yet my special love
I'll never fully from thee take,
But gracious will prove;
Yet altogether will not I
Permit thee for to want

(b) Prov. 30. 9. A chast'ning (b) rod, lest thou deny
Necessity of Thy God and covenant.

II.

Thou knowest, this is the way I took,
With all my servants dear:
As in the sacred scripture book,
Thou mayest both read and hear.
Thou hear'st that Abel, Moses, Lot,
David and Daniel,
Did meet with persecutions hot,
But now they with me dwell.

III.

No faint so pure, that wants all sin,
And sin I always hate:
(c) 164. 27. 9. Then I must purge him (c) from the tin
And make him loath the bait.

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One Son I (d) have, that never finn'd, Yet he must bear the cross: How think'st thou then to be exeem'd

(d) CHRIST free of fin, but not of forrova.

That's full of finful drofs?

IV.

I'll either keep thee (e) from the pain, Or strengthen (f) thee to bear. Affliction shall not prove thy bane,

The curse (g) thou need'st not fear.

I'll fanctify to thee the rod,

A bleffing it (h) shall prove;

That thou may'st learn to fear thy God, And never from him move.

(e) Job 5. 19. Pfal. 91. 5. 6, 7. (f) 1 Cor. 10.

(b)Pfal.94.12. Rom. 5. 4. 5.

(g) Rom. 8.1.

One antidote (i) it is for fin A corrofive to cure:

A purging (k) potion is therein, To make thee clean and pure.

I'll (1) wean thee from the world thereby, That clearly thou may'st see

There is no happiness, but I And heaven's felicity.

The pleafant fruits of affliction to man himfelf. (i) Luke 15. 14. 16, 17. (k) Ifa. 27. 9.

(!) Luke 15. 16, &c. Pfal. 119. 57.

VI.

Afflictions (m) fire must thee refine, And try thy Christian grace:

Therefore see thou do not repine, If thou would fee my face.

Affliction (n) makes thee mind thy God,

Before thou went to stray:

O come thou then and kiss that rod, That leads in heaven's way.

(m) 1 Pet. 4.

(n) Pfal. 119. 67. 71.

VII.

(6) 1 Cor. 11. This keeps thee (0) from the fire of hell. This quickens (p) all thy grace: (p) Lam. 3.40. Pfal. 119. 59. This makes thee (q) fympathize with all (q) Heb.2.13. 2 Ccr. 1.4. Who want their due folace. (r) So the This puts thee forth to (r) read and pray, prodigal, Luke 15. 16. And watch against thy sin; and Manesseh, This keeps thee from (1) a dreadful day: 2 Chron. 33. 13, 14. (1) Pfal. 94. That favour thou may'st find. 12, 13.

VIII.

(s) Mitigation This makes thee (s) mercy more to prize, and tweetning of the affliction.

2 Cor. 1. 4 5. Thou'lt praifes to thy God devise,
With all melodious noise.

And even in midst of all thy tears,
I will thee recreate
With cordials, so that all thy cares
Shall quickly be delete.

IX.

(t) Deliverance out of When all this work is done, (t) then fure afflictions.

Pial. 34, 19.

My rod I will remove;

Joh. 16. ult. For now performed is the cure

In mercy much and love.

(u) Heb. 12. Th' event (u) shall always prove full good, 2 Cor. 4. 17. The crown is by the cross.

Thou shalt at last find, that indeed Thou didst sustain no loss.

(v)TheLord's wifdom, pewer and goodness are much glorified, in ordering, meafuring, sanctifying and removing afdictions.

Χ.

I out (v) of darkness can bring light; Of bitter I bring sweet:

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Confusions all (w) I order right,
And do that which is meet.
The chymist doth of stones extract,
Liquors medicinal;
The sharpest crosses I will make
Ev'n for thy good befal.

(w) Asin Joseph's afflictions, Gen. 50. 20. And in the crucifying of our Saviour, making all tend to man's falvation.
Acts 4. 12, 27, 28. Rom. 8. 28.

XI.

My wisdom, pow'r and goodness great,
My truth and justice pure,
By this they always glory get,
Therefore thou must endure.
Cast thou (x) thy burden on the Lord,
And he shall thee sustain:

(x) Pfal, 55.

O praise him all with one accord. His grace doth still remain.

SECTION III.

Promises of spiritual and eternal Blessings, being the principal positive mercies.

I.

Ome and admire the chrystal streams
Of overslowing grace!
Admire the radiant rays and beams
Of this fair (a) Phebus face!
He's (b) ocean-full: his treasure great
Is inexhaustible!
The matchless mercies which I get,
Are inexpressible.

(a) CHRIST the Sun of righteoufness. Mal. 4. 2. (b) John 1.16. Coi. 1.19.

II.

He'll freely pardon all my fins, He will make up my peace;

Christian privileges, as 1. Justification. 2. Reconciliation. (c) Joh. 1.12. Eph. 1. 5. Kings for dignity, majesty and victory : and priefts for purity and piety.

i. e. strong,

beautiful and

unmoveable,

lars in Solo-

and Boaz.

tion.

4. Sanctifica-

My bleffed LORD will favour win. Through his abundant grace. 3. Adoption. For honour, he'll adopt (c) me fure, To be the great King's fon:

(d) Rev. 1.6. Yea kings (d) and priests advanc'd shall be Believers every one.

III.

(e) Rev. 1. 12. I'll be a (e) pillar in God's house: A new name will he give, And white stone for absolviture, as the two pil-That I may ever live. mons temple, with gold (f) of grace he'll me inrich,

With robes of righteousness He will me cloath, and this excells (f) Rev. 3.13. All filk and fattin drefs.

IV.

The man of fin he'll mortify, He'll wholly me renew: With his good sp'rit he'll sanctify, With grace he'll me endow. (g) Ezek. 36. He'll take from me the (g) stony heart, A new heart will he give: So from his laws I'll not depart,

And ever bleffed live.

(b) Rev. 3.18. Renovation of My (h) judgment he will so renew, all the facul-That I shall then discern ties of the foul, the judg- What e'er he in his word doth shew; ment, will, I (i) will delight to learn. conscience and affections. (i) Pfal. 110. My will shall to the best incline: 3. Phil.2.13. My conscience (k) shall be pure: Ezek. 36. 27. (k) Acts 15.9. --- 24. 16,

Nothing but objects all divine, My foul shall then endure.

VI.

I'll ferve God (1) with a filial fear:

I'll love (m) God and his way:

His faints (n) to me shall be most dear,

Who do his words obey.

I'll mourn for sin, I'll hate the same;

I shall rejoice (0) to see

All men extolling God's great name, With zeal and fervency.

I will rejoice to find my Lord, For my great portion.

VII.

My hope I'll fix upon his word,
Which brings falvation.
I'll blush (p) t' offend my heav'nly King:
My (q) anger's turn'd to zeal.
I shall oppose each finful thing
When grace it shall prevail.

(p) Ezek. 16. 61. (q) Pfal.69.9.

(1) Sanctification of the af-

fections, as love, fear,

grief, joy, &c. Hof. 2. 5.

(m) Mat. 22.

(n) Pfal. 16.3.

(o) Num. 11.

VIII.

Faith, hope, and charity will he
Into my heart infuse;
With righteousness and piety,
So his way will I chuse.
The rubies (r) are but rubbish, naught;
The sapphire's not so fine,

As is the faint from heaven taught
Adorn'd with grace divine.

(r) Mal. 3.17. See more of fanctification, in the fong called the Path-way to Paradife. things neces-

IX.

(1) Parts of (1) If I be blind and cannot fee, fanctification. His eye-falve shall me cure; by allufion to bodily infir-If I be deaf, he'll open ears, mities cured. Ifa. 35, 5, 6. His word and Sp'rit to hear;

If I be lame, he'll make me go Into the ways of GoD:

(s) PGI. 23.5. His suppling (s) oyl keeps me from toil, Ma. 61. 3. And makes me walk abroad.

X.

If I be tongue-tyed he'll unty My tongue, that praifes fing I may even to eternity,

Unto JEHOVAH King. (t) Ifa. 55. 1. Both milk (t) and wine he will afford, And Manna for my food: fary for fpiri-With chrystal-streams he'll me refresh

tual life. I'll want (u) nothing that's good. (" Pfal.34.11.

XI.

(v) Rom. 5. So then with God, is made my (v) peace, 1, 2. With men and angels (w) too; (w)Pfal.34.7. (x) Hof. 2. 18, 19, 1 Cor. Each creature (x) then shall me embrace, And all their service do. 3. 21, 22. (y)Eph. 2.18. Access I have (y) to throne of grace, --- 3. 12. (2) John 14. My prayer (z) he doth hear: 13. (a) Pfal. 4.6. The smilings (a) of his blessed face Doth all my spirits cheer.

XII.

(b) Job 15.13. Assurance (b) fills me so with joy, Pfal. 23. 4. That I cannot express; Rom. 8. 35. I'm fure nothing can me annoy, No creature more or less.

Upon the Estate of Grace.

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My burgess bill (c) with heavins quill Is so confirmed to me;

(c) i. e. Christ stian liberty. Joh. 8.32,36.

From Satan, sin, I'll fear none ill, Though they great tyrants be.

XIII.

The moral law with threat and frown, And with its rigid strain, Brings me no (d) condemnation,

No curfe, no pinching pain,

And for the (e) ceremonial rite, It never hath me ty'd

For CHRIST fulfilled all of it When on the cross he dy'd, (d) Rom. 8.1. Gal. 3. 12. Rom. 6. 14. (e) Acts 15. 1c. 28. Col. 2.16,17,

XIV.

Indifferent things (f) they do not bind, If there no scandal be:

I may, or not, if that I find No breach of charity.

Pale death who is of terrors king Unto the reprobate,

CHRIST hath of him bereav'd (g) the sting,

I shall him soon defeat.

(f) Rom. 14s throughout. 1Cor. 8.9, 10,

(g) 1 Cor. 15, 56.

XV.

Death's but to me a gate (b) therefore, And passage unto rest;

And harbinger to heaven, to glore; Which is of all the best.

So shall I in that heav'nly (i) quire For ever blessed live:

Fulness of joy at his right hand For ever will he give. (b)Rev.14.13,

(i)Pfal 16.ult,

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SECTION IV.

Blessings temporal, with the Christian's consideration of all these gracious promises.

I.

(a) Psal. 24.1. He spacious earth (a) is all the LORDS, And all that it contains, Whate'er the Universe affords, And all that there remains.

For I'm their foveraign Lord,

I'm Lord of Hosts why should'st thou mourn,

They all obey my word.

II.

Co) Pfal. 91.
Lev. 26.

Prosperity and peace,

Thou shalt enjoy, and ay endure,

Thou and thy blessed race.

Here prosit, pleasure, honour's join'd,

What more can any crave?

From grace to glory he'll conduct,

And never he his leave.

III.

O'er fin and Satan fly:

I'll trust in God, while I have breath,

To have the victory.

My foes he'll trample all alongs, My fin he'll do away: My forrows he'll turn into fongs; Faint fear shall fly away.

IV.

My ways I'll mend: I'll blush t'offend Against such matchless love: I'll suffer all, (e) though he me call With martyrdom to prove. For when this clay (f) is past away

or when this clay (f) is past away

And turned into dust,

To mansions high he'll make me fly, In him I'll ever trust. (e)A&.20.24.

(f) 2Cor.5.1.

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THE

PATH-WAY TO PARADISE,

OR, THE

POURTRAITURE OF PIETY,

By Patterns and Examples.

Containing a Christian Directory, how to come to CHRIST, so as to find him, and eternal Salvation by him.

IN TWO PARTS.

In the first part of it, are exemplified all Christian duties, as they were practised by the most eminent, pious, and zealous people of God, as they are recorded in the Scripture of the Old and New Testament. In the second part, are set down the several duties themselves, both for matter and manner, &c.

The first part of the best patterns or examples.

I.

SINCE richest treasures all In Christ are (a) found, Col. 1. 19. And I'm by Adam's fall, Wretched and bound;

(b) Is. 7. 14. I'll to (b) Immanuel,

My fins and forrows tell,
My woes I will bewail
With mournful found.

II.

I will go fearch and (c) try My former ways.

With grief I'll mourn and pray For mispent days.

(d) Take off iniquity;
Receive me graciously:

So will I render thee
The calves of praise.

III.

I (e) will with Abel give The best I have.

(f) I will with Enoch live, Pious and grave.

And though the world stray;
(g) With Noah I will stay,

And walk in perfect way; Thou shalt me save.

IV.

And with good (h) Abraham,

That faithful man,

Who from his kindred came To Canaan:

I will ev'n at thy call,

My comforts great and small (i) Disclaim: though Isaac sall,

Faith conquer can.

V.

(k) With Jacob's prayer bold,
I will address,

The Angel for to hold, Till he me blefs. (c) Lam. 3. 40. 1 Cor. 13. 5.

(d) Hof.14.1.

(e) Abel, liberal, fincere, faithful and cheerful in duty, Gen. 4.
4. Heb.11.4.
(f) Enoch trict and holy and was taken up to heaven alive Gen. 5.
24.
(g) Noah's fingularity, Gen. 6, 8.

(b) Abraham's faith and obedience in differenting with all worldly comforts at God's call. Gen. 12. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. &e. Heb. 11. 8,9. 10, 24. 25. (i) Gen. 22.

(k) Jacob's fervent and importunate prayer with abfolute dependance on God, Gen. 32, 24, to 30.

(1) With

(1) Joseph fears to fin in secret as well as in publick, and stands out against strong alluring tentations. Gen. 39.9. (m) Jer. 17.9.

Pfal. 139. 5, 6, 7, 8. (n) Job was eminent for patience, Job 1. 21. --- 13. 15.

(o) Moses meek in his own quarrel Num. 12. 3. but very zealous in the canse of God Exod. 32. 26. 27.

(p) Phineas killeth Zimri

and Cozbi in

and therefore got an ever-

hood, Num.

25. 8, 9, 10.

whoredom

(1) With Joseph sin I'll fly, Though mortals do not fee:

(m) For thy All-feeing eye Beholdeth this.

VI.

(n) With Job that great divine When he was prest,

I'll not at all repine: Patience is best.

As Moses (o) meekness had, When he was hard bested:

This way I will be led To heav'ns rest.

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* Caleb and Joshua

Keep straight with GoD.

(p) Phineas stood not in awe, Sinners he trod. the very act of When his zeal waxed hot,

He flew and spared not:

lasting priest. For his reward he got, A firm abode.

VIII.

28 .--- 3. 19.

(q) 1 Sam. 1. With Samuel from a (q) child I'll consecrate, With spirit meek and mild, I'll separate

All

^{*} Caleb and Joshua they two only did not murmur or rebel against God in the wilderness: and therefore they only of all that came out of Egypt entered the land of Canaan, Num. 14. 6. 7, 8 .-- 26. 65.

All I have for the LORD,
What my foul can afford:
As from his facred word
Precepts I gat.

IX.

(r) With David I'll thee call
My portion.
In earth and heaven all
Thou'rt He alone,
Whom my heart doth desire;

As with a flame of fire, Faith, love and zeal conspire,

O matchless one!

X.

(s) As chafed hart he pants, After the streams; So my foul when it wants

The warming beams

Of divine majesty:

It thirsts exceedingly, Till it find some supply,

Down from the heav'ns.

XI.

† Long didst thou knock and call Both night and day:

Oft did I thee repell, And drive away.

(t) Justly might'st thou depart, And my poor foul defert,

Mak-

(r) David choofing God for his only portion: eagerly and impatiently feeking after him, and delighting in him, Pfal. 16. 5. Pfal. 119. 57. Pfal. 73. 25. Phil. 3.8.

(s) Pfal. 42.1.

(t) Cant. 5.6.

† The Spoule in the Song of Solomon (representing the Church) being a-waked from security, indefatigably seeks after Communion with Christ the spiritual bridegroom and undauntedly keeps it, Cant. 5. 1. 2, 3. Rev. 3. 20.

Making me find the fmart, For I did stray.

XII.

(u) Cant. 5. (u) But now I know thy voice,
Sweet Jesus stay:

(v) Cant. 5. (v) Thou art my only choice,
Help now I pray.
I'll sleep no more in sin,

But now I will begin

(w) Phil. 3. (w) And strive that prize to win, Oh that I may!

XIII.

(x) Constancy (x) Though men me stop and lett in persecutions and against discou7a/erments,
Cant. 5. 7.

And make it quell.

Though I should wounded be,
(y) Though nail'd unto a tree,

(z) AGs 20. (z) I'll ever follow the, IMMANUEL.

(y) Mat. 16.

XIV.

(a) Enhraim and Nineveh repenting, returning and Sad fighs I'll fend.

Sad fighs I'll fend.

returning, Jer. 18. 31. Fast with the Ninivite,

Jonah 3. My ways I'll mend.

Hof. 2. 18, 19. With Ephraim I'll bemoan,

My fins with figh and groan,

Trespasses every one; Thou'lt favour lend,

XV.

(b) Unworthy wretch am I,

That my poor roof
Should thee lodge; but I'll pray,

(c) Help unbelief;

(d) So shall humility
Advance to dignity,
When pecvish pride must fly
And stand aloof.

XVI.

(e) Give me faith, that I may
But touch thy hem;
This will my grief allay,
My bleeding ftem;
This shall me well restore,
From all my sickness fore;
And I will then adore

Thy glorious name.

XVII.

I'll with the (f) virgins wife
My lamp prepare;
At midnight for to rife
With loving care,
To meet Christ who is mine
With oyl of grace divine,
(g) Light of my works shall shine
O Phabus (h) fair!

XVIII.

With Simeon (i) when I find Christ and his grace,
Leaving the world behind
I'll die in peace.

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(b) The Centurion with faith, prayer and humility. Mat. 8. 8. (c) Mark 9, 24. (d) Mat. 23. 12. Jam. 4. 6.

(r) The Hacmoritefs her faith and confidence, Mat. 9.21, 22.

(f) The wife virgins their watching and preparing, Mat. 25. 4, 6, ic.

(g) Mat. 5.16. (b) That is CHRIST the Sun of Rightecuincis, Mal. 4. 2.

(i) Simeon fweetly repoling and contenting himfelf with CHRIST in life and death, Luk. 2.28, 29.

1,11

(k) The prodigal fon with (k) I'll with the prodigal great compunction returning to his Father, Luke

15. 17. &c.

(k) I'll with the prodigal

Turn, for my want doth call:

And fend release.

XIX.

(1) The publican, with the poor (1) publican, numbly, reverently and fervently fuing for pardon, Luke 18. 13. Or as a flave.

(m) Luke 21. I'll bring the widow's mite (m),
2.3,7.
I'll knock at heaven's gate,
CHRIST will have mercy yet
My foul to fave.

XX.

(n) Zaccheus answering Christ's call and reforming, Luke 19. 1, 2, 3. &c.

(n) The contemplation-tree,
I will ascend:
That I may Jesus see
He'll me defend,
Against the enemy,

That is both fierce and slie; The Dragon he'll defy,

And fuccour fend.

XXI.

Come down Zaccheus then,

He will reply:

Thou'rt a beloved man,

I'll not deny:

This day I'll with thee dine,

I'll give to thee and thine

Salvation: thou art mine,

I'll with thee stay.

XXII.

(0) What goods I purchas'd have By force or fraud:

I will restore again;

Thou'lt me applaud.

I'll give of what is mine

To the faints who are thine,

Such as in forrow pine, Thy name to laud.

XXIII.

(p) With true Nathaniel
That faint indeed,
In uprightness I'll deal,
So shall I speed:
For thou requires the hea

For thou requires the heart, Which is that noble part;

O do not thou depart, My chiefest good.

XXIV.

(q) With the Centurion, I'll fast and pray: Alms also will I join,

Alms also will I join, Then I will say:

Do thou this offering take Though it perfection lack

O do not me forsake, Nor cast away. (o) Luk. 19.8. Non tollitur peccatum, si non restituatur ablatum. August.

(p) Nathaniel with fincerity and uprightness of heart. John 1. 47. Prov. 10. 9.

(9) The godly centurion with fasting, prayer and alms.

PART II.

Containing especially the matter, and gracious acceptable manner of performance of Christian duties. viz. They must flow from right principles of faith, sear and unseigned love of God, together with a perfect detestation and abhorrency of sin. 2. For the right end, to wit, the glory of GOD, the good of others and salvation of our own souls. 3. In the right manner, to wit, with sincerity or uprightness, humility and self-denyedness, alacrity, readiness, and cheerfulness, zeal and forwardness, constancy and perseverance:

All which are partly delivered in the former examples or patterns; but here again repeated in precepts.

I.

For fuch a grace?

* Can what is infinite

With grains encrease?

(a) Pfal. 16.2. (a) My goodness not to thee

Extends, for why I fee Thou art still giving me,

(b) Rom. 10. 12. Eph.2:4. Rom. 11. 33. 1 Tim. 6. 154

(b) Yet hast no less.

Yet

^{*} God's effential glory, perfection and happiness, being infinite, can neither be increased or diminished, but his declarative glory may, as he is more or less owned and served by his creatures.

II.

Yet thou'rt pleas'd King of Kings To condescend,

Poor begger-underlings Thy favour lend;

(c) Lost angels passing by,
And choosing such as I,
Thy name to glorify,

World without end.

(s) Heb. 2. 16.---2 Pet. 2. 4. Jude 6.

III.

(d) Give then what thou requires, It shall be thine.

I'll do what thou desires, And not decline.

† Myself I'll consecrate, To serve without a date;

Then I'll at heav'ns gate, In glory shine,

IV.

My heart I'll give to thee,

(e) Thou lov'st the same;

(f) My tongue shall magnify Jehovah's name.

(g) Adorning eyes behold

The fea and earthly mould,

The shining stars as gold, In stately frame. (d) Pfal. 119.
18. 32.38,34.
God must
give to us, before we can
give to him.

(e)Mat.22.37. Pfal. 119.19. (f) Pfal. 57. 7, 8, 9.

(g) Pfal. 8. 5. 6.-- 19. 1, 2.-2 28. 5.

V.

† 1. The first thing commending our services and duties to God is universality both of the subject performing, and object performed; first, for the subject, the whole man must be consecrated and devoted to God, Rom. 12. 1.

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I'll give my ears to hear Thy facred word; All trivial toys forbear, That men afford.

I'll give my hands to do All thy commands most true.

(b) 1Pet.3.21. (h) As my baptismal vow Rom. 6. 3, 4. Binds me O LORD.

VI.

lity of the object, in abstaining from every fin and performing every duty, Pfal. 119.6.

(i) Universa- I'll to (i) thy precepts all Have great respect, By thy grace never shall, Thy laws neglect;

No duty tedious call;

No fin will I think fmall; But answer at a call, O LORD direct.

VII.

VIII.

Duties to God and man. God shall be of my choice, The object chief.

I'll hear my neighbour's voice. And give relief.

As myself I'll him love; I'll act for his behoof,

My bowels for him move,

That's Christian-proof.

(k) Duties of the first table, towards God. (1) Deut. 26. 17.

See the scriptures in the exposition of the commandments

in the larger

Catechifm.

I will myfelf (k) apply

(1) Thy name to know.

Myself I will deny,

And earth below.

I will have high esteem
Of thee, and fear thy name.
Of my sin I'll think shame
And not approve.

IX.

In God I will delight,
In him rejoice.
Call on him day and night,
With weeping voice.
I'll burn with fervent zeal:

I'll burn with fervent zeal;
Sing sweet as Philomel

To his praise, I'll not fail With joyful noise.

X.

When he bestows on me
His precious things;
I'll make my praises fly

I'll make my praises fly On soaring wings.

And if his chast'ning rod
On me do make abode;

I'll fee the hand of God, As *David* fings.

XI.

With (m) David I'll be dumb, It is thy hand;

Submissive will I come, At thy command.

With Job then will I say

(n) 'Tis thou who takes away,

Blest be thy name for ay, In *Ifrael's* land.

Commandment.

(m) Pfal. 39.

(n) Job 1. 21.

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XII.

XII.

The fecond Commandment.

All Idols I abhor,

Thou dost the same;

The third Commandment.

I'll with my heart adore Thy glorious name.

All whereby thou art known Shall be above my own: So shall thou never frown; Thou loves this frame.

XIII.

The fourth Commandment.

I'll keep thy Sabbath well: This is thy day.

Thy wonders I will tell. My vows I'll pay.

Thy word and facraments, All holy ordinance,

With zeal I will advance & This is thy way.

XIV.

The rest of the Commands.

I will no man injure By force or flight: Never shall I endure

To wrong his right.

His life and fafety,

His goods and chastity,

His name advance will I. As in thy fight.

A fecond thing commending dur fervice to God, is the found principles of faith, fear and love, wit, God's

giary, &c.

XV.

Thou promifest reward To piety. and eyeing the Hell's fire thou hast prepar'd

To terrify.

The first is to allure,

The other must endure
All, who are not found pure
T'eternity.

XVI.

I'll not for meer (0) reward *
Sent from above;

Nor yet for hell prepar'd Sin disapprove.

These things shall never be Prime motives unto me;

But I will follow thee, (p) Out of pure love.

XVII.

Give me that gracious (q) oyl,
I'll run thy way;

Serve without any toil, And never stray.

(r) I'll cheerfully go on,

Thro' thy great strength alone:

So that prize shall be won, At judgment day.

XVIII.

If I be quite (s) profane,
Without all grace;

If Laodicea's frame

My heart posses;

M 3

(c) Job 1. 1, 9, 21. Pfal. 63, 1.

(4) 1Tip.1.5.

(q) Oyl of grace, Mat. 25. 4. Pfal. 119. 32.

(r) A third requifite in Christian duties is chemfulnes, read ness or a arcrity, Pfal. - 33.1.2 Cor, 9.7.

(s) 4. Zeal, forwardness or fervency. Rev. 3. 36, 17, 19.

Thou'lt

Aderunt peccare koni virtutis amore; Oderunt peccare mali fernidine pænæ, Si non sit pænp, virtus tamen esses kakena.

^{*} Hope of reward and fear of punishment may be motive prima, the first initiating motives to obedience, (as human testimony is to faith) but they should not be motive primaria, the chief motives: but love and sear of God and eyeing his glory, &c.

(t) 5. Prudence, moderation and dife cretion, which excludes, first ignorance, remilnefs and preposterous rashness, Psal. 101, 2. (u) Rom. 10. (v) Joh. 18. 10. Peter cutting off Malchus's ear without a commission is reproved, tho' in defence of Christ (w) Luke 9. 54. Praying for fire from heaven. (x)6.Christian prudence is against unseafonable and preposterous rebukes, Prov. 9.3. Mat. 7.6. (y) 7. Prudence distinguisheth betwixt effentials or fundamentals and circumstantials and indifferent things in religion. Rom. 14.

(3) 8. Chri-

betwixt exter-

can never love

&c. yet weak

pray and meditate, &c. to the defruction

of the body.

Christians may read,

nal duties. Though we Thou'lt never me receive, But with the world leave: Fervent zeal I must have Else no solace.

XIX.

(t) I will deal prudently In perfect way: For though I zealous be, Yet I may stray;

(u) As Jews in ignorance, (v) As Peter's sword did glance,

(w) Or he and John advance When they did pray.

XX.

I'll (x) circumstantiate My sharp rebuke: Good counsel such as that In facred book.

(y) I will distinguish well, 'Twixt circumstantial, And * grounding truth, my zeal, So will I look.

XXI.

flian prudence (z) External duties distinguisheth Must give still place; nal and inter-Mercy not facrifice, Says love and grace. God too much cannot too much love, Nor yet too holy prove:

Weak

To distinguish betwixt essentials and circumstantials in religion.

(a) Weak bodies yet may move Imprudent pace.

XXII.

(b) All disputes frivolous I will avoid:

(c) Though I were righteous, I'll banish pride.

So prudence with my zeal, Thus will I temper well.

And I will with thee dwell, O gracious guide.

XXIII.

This I take to be mean'd By Solomon;

When in his book he penn'd This caution;

Where men forbiddeth he

† Too righteous for to be,

But all profanity Hence and be gone.

XXIV.

So with prepared (d) heart

(e) I'll watch and pray;

I'll not from thee depart By night or day.

Till my LORD from the sky

(f) With troops of angels fly

(g) Then wo and mifery Shall fly away.

(a) 1 Tim. 5. 23.1 Tim.4.8. as in excessive reading, fasting, &c.

(b)9. Christian prudence shunneth all frivolous and vain janglings and unnecessary disputes, 1 Tim. 1.6. ----6.20. Col. 2. 8. (c) We should thun all overweening and Pharifaical conceit of our selves, Job 9. 14. Phil. 3.9. Ifa. 64. 6.

(d) A fixth requitite in duties is constancy and perfeverance. in all graces and Christian performances, and to be diligent in the use of all prescribed means, fuch as prayer, watchfulneis, &c. Mat. 25.4, 10. (e) Mat. 24. 44 .--- 26. 41. I Pet. 5. 8. CHRI- (f, Mat. 25.31.

(g) I Cor. 15.

+ Ecclef. 7. 16. No advantage here for profane Ruffians, for we are bound \$5 Rev. 20. 14, to love God with all our hearts, and endeavour after perfection in holinefs, Matth, 22. 37. Mat, 5, ult. Phil. 3. 13,

CHRISTIAN MEMENTOS, MEMORANDUMS, or MEDITATIONS.

To be affixed to several parts of the house, as a help to mortification, watchfulness and continual communion with God.

Deut. vi. 6, 7, 8, 9.

And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. 7. And thou shalt rehearse them continually to thy children, and thou shalt talk of them when thou tarriest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. 8. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thy eyes. 9. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thine house, and upon thy gates.

MEMENTO I.

A Memento to be affixed by the Door, and to be read before we go abroad about our secular employments.

I.

Remember, man, before thou pass the door, That God hath granted thee another day. He gave thee health and peace the night before, Or, hellish fiends had catch'd thy soul away. More time thou hast, thy talent to improve; Ev'n for his glory who thy Maker is: Let him then be the object of thy love; And let not transient trisles alter this.

II.

Thou'rt stepping out into a world of sin,
Where Satan slie is still preparing snares;
O then beware of his deceitful gin;
Lest he by slight surprise thee unawares.
No state, no calling, sex or age is free:
No time, no place, but Satan seeks to stain.
And, ah, alas, too prevalent is he:
Watch, watch, and pray that pure thou

Watch, watch and pray, that pure thou may'st remain.

III.

Let thy God's glory, be thy chiefest aim;
His holy law the rule of all thy way:
His saints thy fellows, then I may proclaim,
Thou shalt have peace and success all the day.

But if thou do thy gracious God forget, And with loofe reins thou let thy fancy range, Then wonder not, if God thy labours lett: Thou meets a cross, it is not very strange.

IV.

Thou'lt see the broad way full of wretches vile, Toiling themselves their own poor souls to damn,

Not minding death or judgment, heav'n or hell; Nor yet the end why to the world they came. Some Some are profane, and loose, some bear a shew Of godliness, without the power of grace: Some hereticks, a vile erroneous crew; Some with their factions trouble Zion's peace.

V.

Some Laodiceans, neither cold nor hot, They're neither friends, nor yet CHRIST's open foes:

Into fuch ways, I pray thee enter not,
And fo thou shalt escape their dreadful woes.
Commit thy way to God, he'll thee direct;
In all thy ways, see that thou on him call;
And thus a blessing thou may'st then expect
From God Almighty, comforts great and
small.

VI.

In thy converse with men, see thou be just;
Give thou offence to none by force or fraud.

Lose not thy God for gold, which is but dust:
Or CHRIST in judgment will not thee appland.

Spend all this day, as if thou hadst no more. Be ready always, when the LORD shall call: Thou shall be heir of everlasting glore:

With joy and peace where CHRIST is all in all.

II.

A MEDITATION or MEMENTO

To be affixed on the Window.

He fun-light's glorious to our mortal eyes, When from the heav'n he doth disperse his rays.

If fuch a light the creature doth transmit, How glorious then is he who formed it?

If heaven's pavement be so richly deckt,

With precious gems; O what may we expect

In upper rooms, where is the dwelling place Of feraphims and faints; O great folace!

Light of the word take thou to be thy guide, In light, for ever then thou shalt abide:

Where CHRIST our light, our life, our joy and

Shall with transcendent glory crown thy grace.

III.

Another MEMENTO or MEDITATION for the Window.

Here's light æthereal, * and there's light 1. Natural.

by art;

Artificial
3. Moral.

There's light of joy and knowledge in the 4. Spiritual.

The God of light do thou with heart adore; And he shall bring thee to the light of glore.

The works of darkness do thou ever flee:

And hellish darkness shall not trouble thee.

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IV.

A MEMENTO or MEDITATION,

to be affixed at the head of the Table.

Thou may'st well know by these thy fresh supplies,

Thy body's brittle, and at last it dies. This earthly food doth hastily decay:

Seek for that meat, which doth endure for ay, 'That heavnly Manna which can thee revive, Tho' thou wert dead, and make thee ever live.

V.

A MEMENTO or MEDITATION to be affixed on the Muse or Study-house-door.

Amice quisquis huc venis, Aut agito paucis, aut abi, Aut me laborantem adjuva.

Ood friend, whene'er thou comes to me
Do not thy words then multiply;
But help my work, if that thou may;
Or else be gone and post away.
Our life is short, our work is great,
Of our abode we have no date;
Great need have we to watch and pray,
And fix us for the latter day.

VI.

A MEMENTO or MEDITATION For the Chimney.

IF thou wouldst shun the fire of hell: Then, seek the godly fire of * zeal.

But let your zeal be attended with knowledge, prudence and moderation.

VII.

AMEMENTO

To be affixed on the Bed, for nocturnal Meditations.

Hy bed's an emblem of the grave, Thy sleep resembles death: The bed-cloths like thy winding-sheet, When God doth cut thy breath. Thy lying down's interring like; The darkness like the shade Of fepulchres, and fo the worms Like fleas about thy bed.

П.

The midnight's like fecurest times, Before the latter day; When mortals shall increase their fins, And zeal doth quite decay. Cock-crowing's like the trumpet's found, Which all the world shall hear; When faith on earth shall scarce be found,

Then, judgment draweth near.

III.

III.

The dawning or the morning sky, Is like those lightfom figns, When Christ our King is drawing nigh, With healing in his wings.

Mal. 4. 2.

The rifing fun is like that time, When Christ the King of glore, Shall come with all his glorious train, And time shall be no more.

Who shall the godly then solace, And free them of their pains, And give them pleasure, joy and peace, Which evermore remains. But those who dally with their fins, And do God's law despise, Their wo and torment then begins, They did not mercy prize.

V.

Then, enter not into thy bed, Let not thy foul take rest; Till that with God thy peace be made: This is thy only best. This night may be to thee the last, Mind, mind mortality. Thy sleep may, ere the night be past, With death continued be.

POEMS

ON SEVERAL

DIVINE SUBJECTS.

I.

HOLY DREAD.

CAN I in truth believe a God to be, Without adoring his dread majesty? Reigns he exalted with almighty fway, And shall I fearless be to disobey? Tho' fense of danger did me not controul, A more ingenious force would move my foul; And make me tremble to be base, tho' I Might be audacious with impunity. A parent's frown I never could fustain; A friend's displeasure ever gives me pain; Tow'rds God, then shall I more effronted prove, Outbrave his terrors, flight his dearest love, And, by a fenfeless, daring licence, show, I neither gratitude, nor rev'rence know? No no, my God, the mighty dread of thee Maintain'd and cherish'd in my breast shall be: Collected round my heart, I'll keep it there An antidote against all other fear. Such shining prints of excellence display'd Are seen in all the works which thou hast made, That look I upward, downward, or around, I can't but thee regard with dread profound! But But when, thy great perfections to descry, I dart my thought beyond the vaulted sky; When midst celestial hosts myself I place, To view the radiant glories of thy face, Ah! how I faint, and sink beneath the weight Of daunting Majesty, and dazling light! And yet my most affecting dread of thee Still is, my God, from perturbation free: It bends my spirit with a pleasant load! Ev'n heav'n would not be heav'n without the dread of God.

II.

HOPE.

I.

OPE is the breast, by which sustain'd I was in my first tender years: Hope is the staff on which I lean'd, When first I trode the path of cares.

II.

A daring infant, then a man, By hope made bold, with open eyes I ventur'd, and life's gantlop ran, And yet I'm fav'd to my furprize.

III.

Hope is to me a sun and shield. Light and protection to me brings: When troops of danger fill the field, Hope to surmount them gives me wings.

IV.

Hope is the chariot of my foul, In which, with lofty port, she rides; Up-hill her wheels as swiftly roll, As down the torrent's rapid tides.

V.

Yea, hope can mount above the skies, And travel o'er the fields of bliss, And as she casts all round her eyes, Say, Soul admire! thy kingdom this!

VI.

My daily food hope still has been, Each morning's manna fresh and good: On hope I live, they little ken, Who say that hope is airy food:

VII.

But hope I mean in God alone, For he the weight of hope can bear; When other props we trust, they're gone, And we fink with them in despair.

VIII.

Hope fix'd on Jesus and his grace, Jesus my never failing friend, Who holds the chain of promises, And bids my hope on them depend.

IX.

O God, my God, the hope, and guide, Both of my youth and riper years, In thee I have, and will confide, Till hope me to fruition bears.

III.

CHRIST All in All.

I.

JESUS is my life and foul;
JESUS fills my heart with joy;
Tides of pleasure through me roll,
Love all my passions does controul,
If thoughts of Jesus me employ.

II.

JESUS darts his heav'nly rays
Through my glad heart to give me light:
If JESUS his fweet face displays,
I'm blest a thousand nameless ways;
My heav'n I find in Jesus' sight.

JESUS is my dear support, When in distress I humbl'd ly; With joys of the divinest fort Jesus does my soul comfort; Jesus raises me on high.

IV.

JESUS by his facred beams, My black'ned foul makes white as fnow. I'm wash'd, however odd it seems, My Jesus, by those purple streams. Which gushing from thy sides did flow.

Jesus did my peace procure, My peace maintain dear Jesus shall, Jesus all my woes does cure; Of heav'n my Jesus makes me sure: Jesus is my All in All.

IV.

Christ the Substance of the Levitical Priesthood.

I.

THE true Messiah now appears,
The types are all withdrawn:
So fly the shadows and the stars
Before the rising dawn.

II.

No fmoaking fweets, nor bleeding lambs, Nor kid, nor bullock flain; Incense and spice of costly names Would all be burnt in vain.

III.

Aaron must lay his robes away,
His mitre and his vest,
When God himself comes down to be
The off'ring and the priest.

IV.

He took our mortal flesh, to show
The wonders of his love;
For us he paid his life below,
And prays for us above.

V.

Father, the cries, forgive their fins,

For I myself have dy'd;

And then he shows his open'd veins,

And pleads his wounded side.

V.

Godly forrow arising from the sufferings of Christ.

I.

A LAS! and did my Saviour bleed!
And did my Sov'reign die?
Would he devote that facred head
For fuch a worm as I?

II.

Thy body slain, sweet Jesus, thine, And bath'd in its own blood, While all expos'd to wrath divine, The glorious sufferer stood!

III.

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groan'd upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!

IV.

Well might the fun in darkness hide.

And shut his glories in,

When God the mighty Maker dy'd

For man the creature's sin.

V.

Thus might I hide my blushing face
While his dear cross appears,
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
And melt my eyes to tears.

VI.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'Tis all that I can do.

VI.

RELIGIOUS DILIGENCE.

When heav'n's the prize you lose or gain? What! for one pleasant moment's sake The hazard run of endless pain! Rouse, rouse my soul, thy pow'rs unite And bend them in the enterprize: Who conquer would, they first must fight; The road to heav'n is steep and strait, Thorny, and up the hill it lies.

II.

On earth no paradife there's now,
No rich, luxuriant, teeming foil,
Where all things needful for us grow,
Without our care, without our toil.
Man's doom'd his daily bread to eat
With ard'ous labour, painful strife,
Nor must be hope, nor is it meet,
That without labour, without sweat,
He should obtain the bread of life.

III.

Heav'n is from us a distant clime, And difficult our journey thither; Short and uncertain is our time, And rough the way, and rough the weather. One day in cradle, next in tomb; What need we have to run, to fly, That to our everlasting home We fafe and timeously may come, Before the dark'ning of our sky?

IV.

What! shall we think a heav'n of joys. Shall prostituted be to such Who value them less than the toys Which now they labour for fo much? Shall yawning wishes, faint essays, Be thought enough to merit blis? Who e'er by fuch unlikely ways, His fortunes here propos'd to raise, And shall a heav'n be got for less?

Religion is a work of time, Of ard'ous labour, close pursuit; The tree of life we first must clime, Before we eat the pleasant fruit: For fince perfection is attain'd By rifing steps, and growing grace, Hold fast we must, what we have gain'd, In view of the exalted end, And daily, hourly, mend our pace.

VI.

Immortal made, what should we mind So much as immortality? Of beings, for a heav'n defign'd, What but a heav'n the care should be?

Rouse,

Rouse, rouse, my soul, thy moments fly, Time bears thee on its wings away, Awful eternity is nigh! Thy task pursue, th'occasion ply, Oh! great's the loss but of a day.

VII.

The Shortness and Misery of Life.

UR days, alas! our mortal days, Are short and wretched too; Evil and few *, the Patriarch fays And well the Patriarch knew.

Gen. 49. 9.

'Tis but at best a narrow bound That heav'n allows to men, And pains and fins run thro' the round Of threescore years and ten.

III.

Well, if ye must be sad and few, Run on, my days, in haste; Moments of fin, and months of woe, Ye cannot fly too fast.

Let heav'nly love prepare my foul, And call her to the skies, Where years of long falvation roll, And glory never dies.

VIII.

The Law and Gospel distinguished.

I.

He law commands, and makes us know What duties to our God we owe; But 'tis the gospel must reveal Where lies our strength to do his will.

II.

The law discovers guilt and sin, And shews how vile our hearts have been; Only the gospel can express Forgiving love, and cleansing grace.

III.

What curses doth the law denounce Against the man that fails but once? But in the gospel *Christ* appears, Pard'ning the guilt of num'rous years.

IV.

My foul, no more attempt to draw Thy life and comfort from the law; Fly to the hope the gospel gives: The man that trusts the promise lives.

IX.

Moses, AARON, and Joshua.

I.

'I IS not the law of ten commands, On holy Sinai given, Or fent to man by Moses' hands, Can bring us safe to heav'n.

II.

'Tis not the blood which Aaron spilt,
Nor smoak of sweetest smell,
Can buy a pardon for our guilt,
Or save our souls from hell.

III.

Aaron the priest resigns his breath, At God's immediate will; And in the desart yields to death Upon th' appointed hill.

IV.

And thus, on Jordan's yonder side
The tribes of Ifrael stand,
While Moses bow'd his head and dy'd
Short of the promis'd land

V

Isr'el rejoice, now * Joshua leads, He'll bring your tribes to rest; So far the Saviour's name exceeds The ruler and the priest.

Joshua the same with Jesus, and signifies a Saviour.

X.

God glorified in the Gospel.

I.

HE Lord, descending from above, Invites his children near; While pow'r and truth, and boundless love Display their glories here.

II.

Here, in thy gospel's wond'rous frame
Fresh wisdom we pursue;
A thousand angels learn thy name
Beyond whate'er they know.

III.

Thy name is writ in fairest lines,
Thy wonders here we trace:
Wisdom thro' all the myst'ry shines,
And shines in Jesus' face.

IV.

The law its best obedience owes
To our incarnate God;
And thy revenging justice shows
Its honours in his blood.

V.

But still the lustre of thy grace
Our warmer thoughts employs,
Gilds the whole scene with brighter rays,
And more exalts our joys.

XI.

Miracles in the Life, Death, and Refurrection of Christ.

I.

Behold, the blind their fight receive!
Behold, the dead awake, and live!
The dumb speak wonders, and the lame
Leap like the hart, and bless his name!

H.

Thus doth th' eternal Spirit own And feal the mission of his son; The father vindicates his cause, While he hangs bleeding on the cross,

III.

He dies; the heav'ns in mourning stood; He rises, and appears a God: Behold the Lord ascending high, No more to bleed, no more to die!

IV.

Hence and for ever from my heart I bid my doubts and fears depart; And to those hands my soul resign, Which bear credentials so divine.

XII.

Sight through a Glass, and Face to Face.

I.

I Love the windows of thy grace Thro' which my Lord is scen, And long to meet my Saviour's face Without a glass between.

II.

Oh, that the happy hour were come,
To change my faith to fight!

I shall behold my Lord at home
In a diviner light.

III.

These interposing days;
Then shall my passions all be love,
And all my pow'rs be praise.

XIII.

The Deceitfulness of Sin.

I.

IN has a thousand treach'rous Arts
To practise on the mind;
With flatt'ring looks she tempts our hearts,
But leaves a sting behind.

II.

With names of virtue she deceives
The aged and the young;
And while the heedless wretch believes,
She makes his fetters strong.

III.

She pleads for all the joys she brings, And gives a fair pretence; But cheats the soul of heav'nly things, And chains it down to sense.

IV.

So on a tree divinely fair
Grew the forbidden food;
Our mother took the poison there,
And tainted all her blood,

XIV.

The Death of the Righteous.

DANTING the good Theophilus did ly, Long time prepar'd, and willing now to dy; When, with a heav'nly brightness in his face, The filent triumph of his finish'd race,

He to his mourning friends his speech address'd, And thus discloss'd the raptures of his breast;

"Kind, but mistaken, -- grieve no more for me, "Nor mourn the day, which I rejoice to see. "Can you remaining on the shore bewail,

"That to a crown, tho' leaving you, I fail?

"Should tears unseemly cloud one's nuptial " day,

"Because the bridegroom takes his bride away?

" Is this your kindness?-would to God ye knew "What glorious fcenes now open to my view!

" Immanuel's fair land, by its own light

" Discover'd, nor far distant, charms my sight:

"Thither to wing her flight my foul prepares, "Farewell all earthly joys, all earthly cares; "Farewell my friends, nor grudge that now

"we part;

"Immortal pleasures rush into my heart!

" I fink, I faint beneath the blissful load! "I die, like Moses, by the * kiss of God?

" Dear Saviour, if fuch pledges now are giv'n,

"Oh! what shall be my everlasting heav'n!"

XV.

^{* &#}x27;Tis a saying of the Jews on Deut, xxxiv. 5. that Moses died by the kiss of God.

XV.

A Death-bed Ejaculation.

BEYOND mortality, my faith Descries a glorious scene, Where, ever new, and rapt'rous joys My soul shall entertain.

A deep, and rapid stream divides:

Death is the name it bears;

But o'er it, Christ has laid a bridge

For heav'nly passengers.

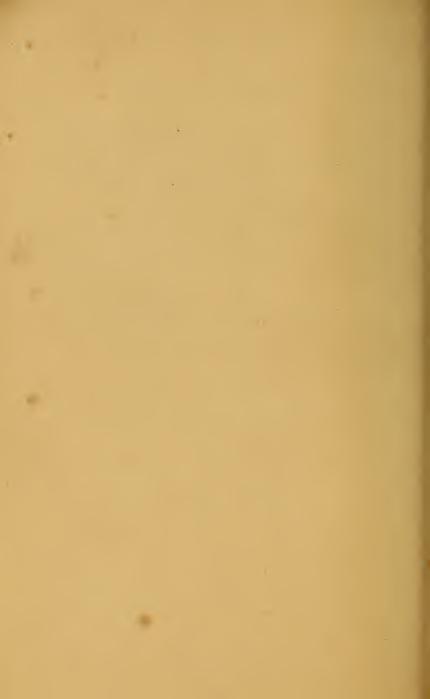
O glorious city of my God,
Which stands on yonder shore:
My heart within me leaps, for joy
To think of passing o'er:

O'er to the new Jerusalem,
Where I with CHRIST may dwell;
And ever hear his own dear lips
His own dear story tell.

Where, in his presence, I shall find The heav'n that I desire; And the sweet glories of his face Eternally admire.

Come welcome death, dissolve the bands
That hold me here from home.
Come angels, come celestial guard,
Come Jesus, quickly come.





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