

but light having come in, the darkness is made manifest, and the exercised soul is answering or responding to that which had come from the hand of God. But over this darkness the Spirit of God was moving, and God said, Let there be light, and there was light. How strikingly all this is in accord with the third chapter of John's Gospel, given to see the contrast between the night of unbelief with its darkness, and the light which the Spirit of God can cast upon a scene which is but a waste of waters; but by divine operation the dry land is made to appear and a basis is laid upon which the fruits and flowers generated in the human soul by the fructifying influence of a divine occupant is possible. The overflowing and destructive waters of unbelief are restrained, but not destroyed, and the element in which it finds its habitat is controllable; thus, although the Christian has an inherited nature that is not subject to the law of God, he has with it a power of control which he is responsible to exercise. How blessed the assurance that in the renewed earth "there shall be no more sea." Nevermore a dividing