

salvation, as they are declared in the Gospel: "All power is given unto Me . . . Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations." He did not use that power to destroy, to curse, to execute vengeance. He used that power to send out His ambassadors to the ends of the heart to show mercy and pardon and reconciliation. And, men of St. Andrew, as you go forth to your work every day, as you make some effort every week to bring some young man like yourselves into the Kingdom of God, here is your royal charter. That powerful King, that royal Jesus, says to you, brethren: "All power in heaven and earth is Mine. Go ye, therefore." You are not going, in your own strength. You are not going to be rejected and despised and put down. You are not going to be silenced and shamed by the overmastering influence of a contrary and a godless world. But you are going forth in the strength of Omnipotence. "All power is given unto Me in heaven and earth. Go ye, therefore, and execute your loving mission."

II. I want you to see, in the next place, that He is "Head over all things," as the Apostle positively affirms, to His Church, that Jesus, now sitting at the right hand of God, clothed and endowed with supreme power and authority over the whole world, is using that power to subordinate all human powers and human events to the prosperity and advancement of His Church and Kingdom amongst men. When you go out upon that loving mission, when you speak to men, when you seek to bring them into the Kingdom of God, remember that Jesus is Head over all things to the Church. And remember that He is ordaining the course of this present world now, that out of it may be evolved the saving work of His Church here on earth.

III. And once more, remember that, as He sits at the right hand of God, He is there as your great High Priest. He is ever living to make intercession, because He has and exercises that unchangeable Priesthood. And I want to say this to you, with all the sincerity that I command, my dear brothers. I want to speak especially to young men. I know, I trust, something of their temptations and of their difficulties; something of the hard path that they have to tread in great cities; of the rigidity of the service that they are called upon to perform, of the difficulties of their daily lives, that they themselves could not tell to the nearest and dearest. And out of this knowledge,