

pels, there is a depth and a sublimity, a breadth and a far-reachingness of view, and at the same time a marvellous simplicity, which no writer has ever successfully imitated. We may well sit at Jesus' feet, and listen to those gracious words, which proceed out of his mouth.

4. Jesus is wonderful *in his miracles*. He wrought miracles. He healed all manner of sickness and disease. He caused the dumb to speak, the deaf to hear, the blind to see, and he even raised the dead. So great was the love of his heart to sinful men, that he had recourse to miracles, that it might be manifested. And the fact that he cured the diseases of the body, was evidence of his power and readiness to cure the more dreadful moral maladies of the soul, for he, on one occasion, cured a man sick of the palsy for the express purpose of proving to some cavillers that he could forgive sins. His miracles were wonderful and filled those who witnessed the performance of them with wonder. Indeed his miracles, and those of his apostles before and after his ascension, constrained multitudes to own him as the true Messiah, and to follow him. Even the Pharisees had to admit that the miracles of Christ were marvellous, and fitted to produce in minds the conviction that he was the Christ; for, after Lazarus was raised from the dead by the power of Jesus, they said, "what do we? for this man doeth many miracles. If we let him thus alone all men will believe in him." John xii. 47, 48. When Jesus called back to life the son of the widow of Nain, it is said that great fear came upon all, and that they glorified God, saying, that a great prophet had risen up among them. Luke vii. 16. When he cured the man sick of the palsy, "all were amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying we have seen strange things to day." Luke v. 26. These wonderful works were wrought by Jesus to fix attention on himself as the great Teacher. They surely evidenced that he was a teacher come from God.

5. Jesus is wonderful *in his holiness*. When on earth "he was holy, harmless, undefiled and separate from sinners." Heb. vii. 26. "He did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth." 1 Pet. ii. 22. He is holy as God, he is holy as man. He "knew no sin." He is the only human being come to the years of moral agency, of whom it can be said, that he never sinned, but ever perfectly obeyed God's holy law. He is human, though not merely human. No one could convict him of sin. The evil one could find nothing in him on which as on a prop, he could rest the lever of his temptations. Even Judas, who was intimately acquainted with the most private life of Jesus, could discover in him no defect. When he rushed to the chief priests, with the money which they