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“PERFECT PEACE.”

“Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.”—Isaiah xxvi. 3.

A mind at “perfect peace” with God ;—

Oh, what a word is this !

A sinner reconciled through blood ;—

This, this indeed is peace !

By nature and by practice far,—

How very far from God !

Yet now by grace brought nigh to him,

Through faith in Jesus' blood.

So nigh, so very nigh to God,

I cannot nearer be ;

For in the person of his Son,

I am as near as he.

So dear, so very dear to God,

More dear I cannot be ;

The love wherewith he loves the Son ;—

Such is his love to me.

Why should I ever careful be,

Since such a God is mine ?

He watches o'er me night and day,

And tells me “mine is thine.”

—*Selected.*