

THE UNITY AND PERFECTION OF THE SCRIPTURES.

“ And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. Luke xxiv. 27.”

The Lord's wisdom in dealing with the Sadducees of His day, may well be our pattern in dealing with a like generation in this day. “ Ye do err,” said He to them, “ not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God ” (Matt. xxii). They presented a difficulty, as they judged it to be, an insurmountable difficulty ; but it was no such thing to Him. Scripture He bowed to, and the power of God He asserted. Scripture was His rule of thought and judgment ; and He could rest in the power of God as that which would make every jot and tittle of it good.

This was His answer to them at once, His immediate rebuke of them. And it was enough. His Spirit afterwards in the apostle would commend the saints to God, and to the word of His grace ; so now, would He Himself lean on God and His word. It was enough for Him that God had spoken (see Acts xx. 32).

But after this, He shews these Sadducees, that the difficulty they suggested was simply an imagination of their own, and not a part of the Scripture, or the revelation of God. And then, in closing with them, He exposes their unbelief by the light of Scripture, rebuking their denial of