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EASTER DAWN.

Easter, blessed Easter,
 Joyous sound of spring,
 Nature all rejoicing,
 Song-birds on the wing,
 Lenten sadness ended,
 Brightness dawns again,
 Like the bursts of sunshine
 After clouds of rain.

And what holy lessons
 Does this season teach
 Of a full salvation
 Now within our reach,
 Of a risen Saviour,
 Of a home above,
 Of a life unending
 Through a Father's love.

Thus, all nature tells us,
 In the harvest-field,
 There the golden grain falls,
 Other crops to yield.
 So earth's fairest blessings
 Which in autumn die,
 Spring again to new life,
 'Neath a summer sky.

Lord, may we, Thy children,
 At this Eastertide,
 Rise to higher longings,
 To a life aside.
 From temptation's thralldom,
 From besetting sin,
 Free thy erring servants—
 Crush the foe within.

And when death's bright angel
 Calls our souls away,
 There beneath the daisies
 Till the Judgment Day,
 Our frail bodies, resting
 In the quiet sod,
 Rise to life immortal,
 At the trump of God.

—Selected.

"LIFE THAT IS LIFE INDEED."

By Rev. DYSON HAGUE, M.A., of Wycliffe College, Toronto.

"The just shall live by faith." There are so many that lead lives that are not satisfactory; lives that are without heart, without hope, with-

out inspiration or power. So many of the sons of men are living a life that is a mere drift, without aim, object, purpose or power. It should never be forgotten that the life that is worth living is a life that has a foundation, a reason and a motive.

First, the life that is life indeed has a *foundation*; "The just shall

quicksand. There is nothing to rest upon in life or to give one a y cheer in death. The life that is life indeed is not

"A heartless, hopeless, limited life,
 Nerv'd with no valour for the strife,
 Against the evil that is rife;"

it is a life that does not end here. Agnosticism is not a creed, it is a



Rev. J. R. S. Boyd, Wife, and Child.

live by faith." It is based upon the infinite God. It is based upon the God who is a real living Person; God revealed to us in His blessed word; God known to us by Jesus Christ, His blessed Son. Life therefore first of all must be based upon faith in the living God.

AGNOSTICISM IS NO BASIS for a true life. It is a foundation of

non-creed. But, if it is a creed, it is a creed not for a man but for a savage; not for a man, but a poor dumb brute that perishes, that knoweth not whence it comes or whither it goes, and has no motive and no outlook.

But the life that is life indeed is based upon a rock. And more. Those who believe in Him know that they