

THEMES AND TEXTS OF RECENT LEADING SERMONS.

1. Supernatural Answers to Prayer. "This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles," etc.—Ps. xxxiv: 6-7. Arthur T. Pierson, D.D., Philadelphia.
2. Lines of Life. "And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever."—Isa. xxxii: 17. John Hall, D.D.
3. Man's Higher Life. "Man shall not live by bread alone," etc.—Matt. iv: 4. J. B. Thomas, D.D.
4. The Sensitiveness of Christ. "Who touched Me?"—Mark v: 31. T. DeWitt Talmage, D.D.
5. The First Miracle: the Key-note of the Gospel Dispensation. "This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth His glory."—John ii: 11. P. S. Henschen, D.D., Chicago.
6. God's Love, Power, and Wisdom. "God so loved the world," etc.—John iii: 16. Bishop Warren in Washington Street M. E. Church, Brooklyn.
7. Death, Physical and Spiritual. "For to be carnally minded is death," etc.—Rom. viii: 6. John R. Paxton, D.D.
8. The Christian's Goal. "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us," etc.—Rom. viii: 18-24. H. A. Buttz, D.D., Drew Theological Seminary.
9. The Sun of Righteousness. "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure."—Phil. ii: 12, 13. Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Brooklyn.
10. The Pre-eminence of Christ. "That in all things He might have the pre-eminence."—Colos. i: 18. John Hall, D.D.
11. The Form and Power of Godliness. "Having a form of godliness," etc.—2 Tim. iii: 5. F. M. Ellis, D.D., Boston.
12. Drifting and its Remedy. "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip."—Heb. ii: 1. Cuthbert Hall, D.D., Brooklyn.
13. Man's Relations with God. "Him with whom we have to do."—Heb. iv: 13. William M. Taylor, D.D.
14. Jesus's First Doxology. "Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."—Rev. i: 5, 6. Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, London.
15. Emotional Element in Religion. "And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God."—Rev. xix: 10. B. F. Lee, Pres. Wilberforce University.

SUGGESTIVE THEMES.

1. The Unconscious Loss of Power. ("And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him."—Judges xvi: 20.)
2. The Manifest Presence of God the Occasion of Great Joy. ("And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout," etc.—1 Sam. iv: 6.)
3. A Primitive Pulpit. ("And Ezra the Scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose."—Neh. viii: 4.)
4. The Educational Power of Gentleness. ("Thy gentleness hath made me great."—Ps. xviii: 35.)
5. The Night of the Soul. ("The night cometh when no man can work."—John ix: 4.)
6. The Insufficiency of Natural Virtue. ("But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in yourselves."—John v: 42.)
7. The Danger of Pernicious Literature. ("Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."—Prov. xix: 27.)
8. Heart Language. ("As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man."—Prov. xxvii: 19.)
9. Like a Bottle in the Smoke. ("For I am become like a bottle in the smoke."—Ps. cxix: 83.)
10. The Piper's Lament. ("We have piped unto you and ye have not danced," etc.—Matt. xi: 16, 17.)
11. The Touch of Jesus Calming Fear. ("And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid."—Matt. xvii: 7.)
12. Opportunity the Measure of Responsibility. ("For him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."—James iv: 17.)
13. The White Raiment. ("I counsel thee to buy of me white garments, that thou mayest clothe thyself, and that the shame of thy nakedness be not made manifest."—Rev. iii: 18.)