

rent by the lightnings of God. Both saw the divine glory manifested in a most wonderful manner, and both had near and clear views of God, and enjoyed direct and personal communion with him. Both were so feasted with the *divine*; that, for forty days they fasted from temporal food. Both saw the fiery symbols, heard the thunders roll, and realized sensibly the mild glories of his grace. Both were called to suffer scorn and reproach for their religion, and were both sent as special ambassadors to kings, already doomed to shame and sorrow because of their sins. Both were honored instruments in saving the life of thousands, and to them it was given to suspend and control at will (by divine permission) the laws of nature. Both were removed from the church on earth under very peculiar circumstances; the sorrowing church and the nation feeling very deeply the loss they had sustained. Both were forewarned in a most remarkable manner of their removal from earth, and were both saved from sickness, pain, and decay. Both were taken from nearly the same place, Elijah sweeping in the chariot up the hill tops from which Moses went to heaven. God claimed the body of Moses that he might bury it himself, and he took Elijah's body home a shorter way than through death and the grave. In both cases, able and worthy successors were raised up to finish the work from which they had been so suddenly removed. Both were singularly honored in being permitted to visit Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration,—the one as the representative of the law, the other as the representative of the Prophets; and both are now on the hills of immortality, beholding the glory of God, and waiting as the elder brethren for the whole company of the redeemed to join them in the new song of "blessing, and