

dent seeking His will ; spiritually, I believe a privilege, though connected with the ruined state of the Church. He cannot cease to guide us, or where should we be? but He may not, and does not manifest His action with a fallen as with a fresh and nascent church. He never does so. "We see not our tokens, we have no prophets any more." "There is none to say how long." Yet Haggai says "My Spirit remaineth among you as when ye came out of Egypt." I believe faithfulness, in such a time, special privilege. "Hast not denied my name" does not say much, but when this happens all around, it is a great deal, and great grace to be kept. You cannot be expected according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that *by them*, thou mightest war a good warfare. You came out with a true heart to some one who loved you, and seek souls for Him all right, and great grace given to us, but there was no "separate Me Barnabas and Paul," which, though present grace must after all sustain, still was a source of strength "by them." I don't believe it is any loss, but it is different and he that has the secret of Christ while he will not limit his power, yet will know the difference and enter into it. "Thou hast a little strength," and there were pillars when God built His temple. We find they were forbidden to go into Bythinia, sought to go into Mysia, the spirit suffered them not, they were forbidden to preach the word in Asia, and then by a vision in a dream were led into Macedonia. Now I would not the least deny that God can by His