

described in Old Testament story. I have often envied the Jew for his wonderful history. But when I find that he was simply a pencil in the hands of God to delineate what the Gentile has attained to, a stereoscope through which the deep things of Redemption are made to stand out in bold pictures, then my envy is swallowed up in admiration and adoration for his God.

THE TABERNACLE TYPICALLY PROPHETIC OF BETTER THINGS  
TO COME.

With Moses we arrive at that which is specially and fully typical of our subject, the Christian Church. His life is an epoch in the history of redemption. Until now God was simply a visitor to man upon the earth. Henceforth he dwells among men. He provides for himself a habitation and specifies how he may be approached, and how he may be served. Not, however, before he shews how man must be redeemed. He cannot dwell among the unredeemed. But when the Paschal Lamb was slain and its blood sprinkled to save the slaves of Egypt, then the cloud of glory overshadowed the redeemed ones, and God communed with them from above the mercy seat.

But the redemption from Egypt was a picture of a greater redemption, and when that is accomplished God has greater blessings for His people than simply dwelling among them. Formerly he dwelt with them, now he dwells in them. "And I will pray the father and he shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you forever. Even the spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him, but ye know him for he dwelleth *with* you and shall be *in* you."—John 14 : 16, 17.

A TYPE OF THE CHURCH.

As a result of redemption from Egypt we have the tabernacle in the wilderness. So, as a result of the greater redemption from sin, we have the Church of God in the world. As the lamb represents Christ, so the tabernacle erected because of the lamb slain in Egypt, represents the church reared because of the death accomplished in Jerusalem. As the tabernacle was reared in the dessert, covered and indwelt by the Divine presence, carried for forty years in a crooked course, owing to failures onward into the land of promise, so the Church of God reared in this world indwelt by the Divine spirit overshadowed by its head, has its course through the world from Pentecost to the Promised Millennium. The tabernacle therefore was a distinct type of the Church of God.

A TYPE OF BELIEVERS.

The tabernacle was also a type of believers individually. It was a pattern of things in the heavenlies, and here the believer is said to be seated. Covered with a cloud of glory, and filled with the Divine presence, it carries the mind down to the scene in the upper chamber in Jerusalem, where the Divine spirit fell in manifest form and rested upon each of the disciples. Know ye not that ye are the temples of the Holy Ghost? And so the believer is seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. He is exhorted to be filled with all the fulness of God. He is indwelt by the Holy Spirit even if it be in invincible form, and he is a pilgrim passing on his way heaven-