

and storm-tossed, where the earthquake, and the whirlwind, and the fire, the tumult, the tempest, and the alarm are known no more, but where the "still small voice" of comfort, and peace, and joy is heard, until the voice of the archangel and the trump of God shall sound to call the redeemed from the rest of Paradise to sing the eternal song of Heaven.

The memorable chapter from which the text is taken sets before us the translation of Elijah. The eventful time has arrived when he is to be translated so that he shall not see death. There is no change in the demeanour, so as to mark anything marvellous impending. He is not overpowered with the invisible glories which are so soon to burst upon his view, as calmly he walks with Elisha from Gilgal. None of all Israel are summoned to the heights of the Jordan valley to witness his wondrous departure. To the faithful and attached Elisha, he says, "Tarry here, I pray thee, for the Lord hath sent me to Bethel." The same is repeated at Bethel and yet again at Jericho. But Elisha's constancy reveals to him the closing scene. "As the Lord liveth and as thy soul liveth I will not leave thee." Along the mountain range on the eastern banks of the Jordan Elijah had passed, making his farewell visits at Gilgal, Bethel, and Jericho. In these three favoured cities there is some unwonted stir and excitement. The sons of the prophets had received a divine intimation that Elijah was