

dors, we remain unholy; while, because earlier Christians did so come and believe, they were holy! It was the sight of the Brazen Serpent which concentrated the faith of the Israelites when bitten by the fiery serpents; so it is the *visible* ordinance founded on and sanctified by the positive promise of our own Jehovah, which makes the faith of such feeble creatures as ourselves, who are yet in the body, comparatively easy,—through the ordinance we discern the Saviour.!

At all events, brethren, we know that primitive Christians not only believed in Christ, but that they believed in Him **IN** His Church, and sought Him there, and they were holy;—you believe in Christ, but you do not believe in Him in and through his Church, and you are comparatively unholy! Oh! then at last believe the promise of Christ; believe the teaching of your own Prayer-Book, and with the holy men of old, believingly seek Christ **IN** His Body, the Church. And then my beloved, you also, without doubt, shall be holy; and thus “walking with God,” begin at length to comprehend, with the Christians of former days, the deep reality of a religion whose “God is love,” whose glory is the “Lamb slain.” Amen and Amen, even so Lord Jesus.

N. B.—There are a few additions to the sermon as preached, and some unimportant alterations.

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