

been redeemed by His precious blood, are so unready to accord Him the homage which unredeemed, but holy and sinless angelic hosts, are ever acclaiming.

Returning to the original chapter, it will have been noted that there are four mysterious composite beings brought before us, of such amazing construction that it is evidently a symbolic presentation. Is it not the mind of the Spirit that we should be interested and seek to know what the symbolism is intended to convey to us? Is it not the office of the Spirit to reveal it to us. These four living creatures were full of eyes before and behind; they were thus able to take knowledge of everything that was transpiring, and being under divine guidance, every act was in accordance with the mind of God. In a past dispensation God was acting directly, on many recorded occasions, but in this period He is, for the most part, acting providentially, and thus He is using the four classes of animate creatures on the surface of the earth for the accomplishment of His great purposes; and these are not only