

largely in figures of speech, and in one passage it speaks of God as a householder who owned a vineyard, (Matt, xxi, 33), and in another as a King making a marriage for His Son, (Matt. xxii, 2), but in Isaiah lv, 1, 2, we have another figure. Listen to His proclamation, "Ho, every one that thirsteth come ye to the waters. \* \* \* \* Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness." Such and so earnest are the invitations. But the price! ah, the price! we must carefully note the price. "Ho every one that thirsteth come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." And what is more He will sell upon no other terms. A leprous Naaman may come to the servant of Israel's God in order to be healed of his leprosy and bring with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, besides ten changes of raiment, as the price of his healing, and although he will get healed it will be upon the terms of the prophet and so he will have to carry back his silver and his gold and his gay garments, a burden to the weary beast. It was to the poor the gospel was preached when Christ was upon earth, and to those who have no money He still says come and buy from me without money and without price. These are the terms, eternal life, forgiveness of sins, and every needful blessing to the soul for nothing, or not at all.