

devout heart a sense of individual responsibility, and develop a willing and hearty activity in good works.

—*Convention Address.*

### THE RESULTS THAT FLOW FROM CHRIST'S ASCEN- SION.

What do we mean when we say that Jesus Christ, our risen and ascended Lord, is King and Head of His Church? We mean that from Him streams every grace; all power to do good, to think what is right, to act consistently with our profession. But we mean more than this. We mean that access to the Father is through Him alone. We mean, that whereas before Christ's Ascension, before He took the reigns of government in His hands, God could be reached, and grace could be given in a purely spiritual way; now on the contrary, Christ being Head over all things to the Church, God can be reached through the God man, and grace can *only be given through the God man*. We are living under quite another dispensation. The Jewish was spiritual *only*. The law of this (the Christian) dispensation is the *spiritual through the material*. That is, the spiritual and material are indissolubly united, the inward and spiritual cannot be separated from the outward and visible. Outside the Church, the kingdom of Christ, God may deal with them in the same way as before, *i. e.*, in a spiritual way. But all within the Church have passed under the rule of Christ the King, and His rule is, that all grace flow through outward and visible means."—*B. Goulds-conferences.*

### THE CHRISTIAN'S COAT OF ARMS.

Great Families wear their Coat of Arms on the dress, or the door of the coach, or on the Helmet when they go out to battle, or on the flags and ensigns. The heraldic sign is sometimes a lion, or a dragon, or an eagle. Our Coat of Arms, worn right over the heart hereafter shall be a Cross, a lamb standing under it, or a dove flying over it. Grandest of all escutcheons! Most significant of all family "Coat of Arms." In every battle I must have it blazing on my flag: the Dove, the Lamb, the Cross. And when I fall wrap me in that good old Christian Flag, so that the family "Coat of Arms" shall be right over my breast, that all the world may see that I looked to the Dove of the Spirit, clung to the Cross, and depended upon the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.—*De Witt Talmage, (Presby.)*

### THE CHURCH.

The idea, as we view it, of the Church that obtains for the greater part among the Sects, is that of a religious club—or order, or society. That it is the outcome of expediency and utility solely. Therefore, a society which a man is free to join when he pleases, remain therein as long as he is satisfied, and depart therefrom when he thinks fit. When such a one hears a Church Minister speaking about *the Church* and its claims to our attention and obedience, he views it from his stand point, and naturally resents all such preaching as savoring of Bigotry, Narrowness,