

WOMAN.

IF you please, dear sisters, allow me in this chapter to call your attention to some passages of scripture that refer particularly to woman. Let us look at 1 Cor. xi, 8-9, and also at Genesis iii, 16, and we shall find Woman spoken of as the companion and helper of man, and by express command made subject to him.

The word Woman when used as a term of salutation as in Matt. xv, 28, implies no disrespect but great tenderness and courtesy. It was thus that our Saviour addressed Mary Magdalen under the most touching circumstances as we find recorded in John xx chap., 15 v.; and again when he commended his mother to the care of that disciple whom he loved he said, "woman behold thy son." In the previous chapter we spoke of the reproach of woman. Let us now consider the honour conferred upon her during our Saviour's sojourn on earth. At the mar-