

sins and miseries, their guilt and sufferings, have been laid upon His heart in a sorrow, for which the human imagination provides no parallel. But this sin-Bearer is also the Judge of all the earth. He will not permit the travail of His soul to be deprived of its fruit. In the way of His Judgments, we wait for Him (Is. 26 : 8). The God, who is like Christ, the God who came into the world in Christ, will not allow Satan, or Kaiser, to overthrow His Kingdom. We lift up our hearts in His name. We claim Him as the partner in our afflictions (Is. 63 : 9). We are absolutely confident in His victory, and in victory those who in faith make themselves the instruments of His saving purpose will have their assured part.

(b) The place of Jesus Christ, the crucified Redeemer, the living and exalted Lord in the salvation of men. Whether that salvation He conceived negatively as deliverance from sin, or positively as the consummation of all good, its sole author and agent is Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, and the Son of Man, who through death, has entered upon absolute supremacy in the moral world, and now meets mankind as the living Divine answer to all human need, and the perfecter of all that concerns human welfare. Without a Divine Redeemer, sin remains unatoned, undefeated ; all the human race is plunging through successive tragedies to find despair and ruin. The War has made this plain. In this matter of Salvation, for the individual, for society, for mankind, it is Christ, or no one. For our soul's sake, for the sake of every moral good, we turn to Christ, our Saviour, our Master, and commit ourselves anew to Him, and in Him find our God and Father. To a world that, in literal fact, is perishing, we preach Christ, who has paid the price of His blood for its redemption, and now claims it as His own, and undertakes to lead it out of bondage and darkness into the realm of God, where God's will is done, and men become the children of God, and reach the fulness of humanity, as it was designed for perfect service and perfect blessedness. If it be conceivable that any ministers of our church have slighted Christ in their preaching, surely their guilt is very great, and the whole church will suffer through such dishonor to its Head. It is our bounden duty and our high privilege, to own Him Lord, and proclaim the glory of the Redeemer, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom we are chief.

(c) The Issues of Salvation in actual experience. Three great complaints have been made against evangelical religion as commonly preached, viz., that it is negative and not positive, that it is individualistic and not social, that it is occupied with another world and is neglectful of the present.