

sins by His most precious blood, but also his cleansing us from our own natural selves, that is, our carnal and deceitful hearts. The signification of the word "water" is not uniform throughout Scripture; for instance, in Jer. i. 13, water is spoken of as a figure of *God Himself*: "They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters." As descriptive of *military power*: "Behold waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood." (Jer. xlvii. 2.) As emblematic of deep and terrible *affliction*: "Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of Thy waterspouts: all Thy waves and Thy billows are gone over me." (Psalm xlii. 7.) Especially of the awful sorrows of Christ: "Save Me, O God; for the waters are come in unto My soul. I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow Me. Let Me be delivered from them that hate Me, and out of the deep waters. Let not the waterflood overflow Me, neither let the deep swallow Me up." (Psalm lxix. 1, 2, 14, 15.) Of God's judgment on the sinner, thus Eliphaz says to Job: "Thou hast sent widows away empty. * * * Therefore snares are round about thee, * * * and