

## REVELATION, CHAP. XV.

Q. What are we to understand by the sea of glass mingled with fire?

A. The solar splendor (iv. 6) surrounding the throne of God, shewing signs of His fiery displeasure as at Sinai,—“The waves flash flame.”

Q. How then could the victors stand near the sea of glass?

A. Isaiah says, “the upright can dwell with the everlasting burnings.”—*Ch. xxxiii., 14, 15.*

Q. What does the prophet further say?

A. They dwell on the heights: and St. John here says,—“They sing”; ver. 3.

Q. To whom does the Apostles liken them?

A. To Israel, saved and rejoicing after having passed through the sea.

Q. In ver. 5 the word “looked” occurs for the last time in the Bible; contrast this with its first occurrence?—*Gen. vi., 12.*

A. In Genesis, God looked upon the earth, and behold, it was corrupt. Here, man looks into Heaven, and the Holiest Place is seen open to all, through the Lamb on the throne.

Q. What do the pure linen and golden girdle of the seven angels symbolize?

A. Their righteous and ever-ready service.

Q. What was the form of the golden vials?

A. They were cups of gold containing burning incense from the golden altar, affixed to golden saucers by which they were held.