

THE BRAZEN SERPENT.

“AND the Lord said unto Moses, make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole; and it shall come to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass he *lived*.” (Numb. xxi).

Thus it was with the dying Israelite in the camp of old; and thus it is with the dying sinner now. The Son of man has been lifted up on the cross—God’s grand provision—His only remedy—Every soul who feels His need is welcome to look—“whosoever will”—none is shut out; all are welcome. But each *must* look or perish. There is no middle ground—look and live—look or die. One look is enough; no need of a second. The moment a soul looks by faith to Jesus, he passes from death to life—life everlasting. “The Son of man must be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish but have eternal life.” Glorious tidings! Heavenly news! Precious message! May many ears be opened to hear, many hearts to understand, many eyes to give that life look!

Reader, what say you to these things! Have you found out that you are a poor, bitten, wounded, dying, hell-deserving sinner? Has the Eternal Spirit opened your eyes to see your true condition? Have you been thoroughly roused to a sense of your guilt and danger? If so, why not now—even this moment, look to Jesus? There is eternal life and salvation, divine righteousness and everlasting glory—all in one believing look at the Christ who was nailed to the tree, and is now crowned on the throne. May the Holy Ghost lead you now to give that one momentous, life-giving, peace-giving look.