

II. Its Travellers. (a) The Lord of the way himself (see margin). (b) His ransomed ones. Good company, sympathetic, pilgrim songs and converse. (c) Angel escort, Jacob. He shall give his angels charge . . . to keep them in all thy way.

III. Its Termination. Path of just brighter to "completion of day." Heavenly Jerusalem Lion's temple hill. Farewell to pilgrim's staff and worn sandals. Welcome endless rest, wide open gates, greetings of the glorified, the bosom of God, and coronation of joy. J. S. K.

The Fatherhood of God in Reality.

If God were your Father ye would love me.—John viii:42.

Christ spoke these words in the midst of a strong contention with the Jews respecting their true fatherhood. They had claimed Abraham as their God.

Consider I. The doctrine of the Fatherhood as taught in the Gospel, it is a peculiarity of the N. T. revelations, though the ancients had some glimpses of it. Christ its true interpreter; see e. g. the parable of the Prodigal Son. Man by nature, descent, capacity, the child of God, but alienated. Must become so in spirit, by confidence, choice, in heart, obedience. Necessity of new birth. Followers of God as dear children.

II. Practical Application. (a) God's dispensations designed to bring us to the full knowledge of Him in Christ. (b) If we learn what God is thus teaching us we shall be by divine attraction drawn to Christ. "No man cometh to the Father but by me." J. S. K.

Revival Service

Waiting for God.

Blessed are all they that wait for Him.—Isa. xxx:18.

I. The nature of the Waiting. (a) In steadfast faith. (b) In living hope. (c) In patient humility. (d) In active preparation.

II. Blessedness of this Waiting. (a) In the present habit of mind. Keeps the heart from settling down in indolence and worldliness. Gives exercise to various Christian graces. (b) Future. The five wise virgins. Gladness of greeting. This is our God! We have waited for Him; we will rejoice and be glad in Him. Receive a blessing from Him. "A crown for all those that love His appearing." J. S. K.

The Individuality of Salvation.

Your own salvation.—Phil. ii:12.

I. Individual as a matter of personal concern. He that is wise shall be wise for himself; he that scorneth he alone shall bear it.

II. As a work wrought in the secret of each one's experience.

III. As a work taking shape, color and development according to each man's personal traits of mind, temperament, etc.

Application.—Think not to compare your experiences with others, to depend on others, or hope to shift responsibility on others. J. S. K.

Funeral Service.

No Tears in Heaven.

And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.—Rev. vii:17.

Contrast earth and heaven: the one a vale of sorrow; the other a mansion of unspeakable glory. The one a Bochim—"a place of weeping"—the other a city of delight, where the voice of joy and the notes of the triumphant song are ever heard.

1. No tears there. "God shall wipe away every tear." The time for weeping has gone by forever. The night is past and the glorious morn has come. God's own hand heals every sorrow.

No occasion for tears there. No sin in the heart; no evil of any kind in all the life there lived. One vast transcendent scene of innocence, peace, rest, joy, glory.

3. No element or experience to