

live daily in the light of His countenance,—why that experience is Heaven! But if, upon honest examination, a man discovers that he has cause to be troubled by Christ's look, then he should not delay to seek forgiveness and reconciliation.

Otherwise that divine look must continue to trouble the wrong-doer. It will successively extinguish all his opening joys. Neither fitted nor intended to give peace, it will awaken many a throe of pain. Either he will be hunted and embarrassed by that look down to the very end of life, or else—ininitely worse—that Look will be removed from him forever! The unbeliever will be left absolutely alone, and the little light he has hitherto had will one day suddenly go out amid thick darkness. From such our Lord has said that He will turn *His* face away; and that *averted* look,—what is it but Hell?

Let the believing soul invariably *return* the divine gaze. The Saviour's Look merely embarrasses him; but this earnest look may bring salvation. Hear the persuasive word: "Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth;" for as many as look unto Him shall be lightened, and their faces shall no longer be ashamed.

II.—THE DIRECTLY REPROVING LOOK.

But besides that look of Christ by which He troubled the beholders, there was also that look of His by which He was wont to reprove them.

This was a more severe look than the former. There was something of sternness in it; and yet it was not wholly stern. It was a look which strangely combined in it compassion with chiding, and pity with reproof. It was a look that was full of pathos; the eyes whence it came were oftentimes bedimmed with tears. There was a wondrous yearning in this glance! A significant Look,—a look which but few could forget,—it spoke as distinctly as any words could speak. Such was our Saviour's aspect when He reproved one of His disciples, and at the same time sought to melt into submission a wayward, rebellious heart.

Take, as an example of the kind of glance to which reference is now being made, the look which Christ must have worn when, after he had significantly washed his disciples' feet, he added the unexpected prediction:—"One of you shall betray me!" Or take the look which Jesus directed towards Peter on the public occasion