

sound of the glorious gospel falls short of a holy happy destiny, it will be because the great salvation is neglected, the gift of God rejected, and the influences of the Divine spirit resisted. O reader, remember, God loves you, and is anxious to make you a partaker of his own Divine nature. Since he has set his heart upon you, give him your heart, your whole heart in return, and do it now.

CHAPTER VI.

Conclusion.

THE USE WHICH GOD WILL MAKE OF THE MONUMENTS OF HIS GRACE IN FUTURE AGES, A PROOF OF MAN'S IMPORTANCE.

We have in former chapters contemplated man in his creation; man as a moral agent, endowed with intelligence, sensibility, and will; man as a sinner and a sufferer; man as an object of Divine compassion. We have seen that God has magnified man and set his heart of love upon him. In concluding this important subject we wish to call the attention of our readers to a few thoughts on *the use which God will make of the monuments of his grace in future ages*, and, as we proceed, we shall see another proof of our dignity. In many parts of the word of God we have not only an account of the past condition and safe state of believers in Jesus, but of their future prospects, and the high and lofty position to which they shall ultimately be exalted in the future world. It is impossible to enter fully into this delightful and inexhaustible subject, or quote all the passages of Scripture which directly speak of the high dignity and glorious destiny to which sinners, saved by grace, shall be exalted; their enjoyments, employments, and moral influence when they get yonder. We shall confine our attention principally to one or two passages. In Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians we read, "But God who is rich in mercy, for the great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved,) and hath raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus" (ch. ii. 4-7). It is quite evident that the apostle in the verses immediately preceding those which we have just quoted was reminding the Ephesian Christians of their state, character, and conduct previous to their union with the Saviour