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The Difference.Why is it thus ?

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deavors to bring out in words the transcendent blessedness of conscious purity : when the spirit exultingly joins with the redeemed in the song, "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father, to him be glory, and dominion, for ever and ever, Amen !" And yet there are those who are appropriating this language, from a blessed knowledge of its glorious import. But alas ! there are those also, who, by the will of their heavenly Father, have an equal claim in the covenant of grace : those who have expressed joyous confidence in the declaration, "God is no respecter of persons ;" yea, those even whose energy of spirit in the cause of their God would lead them to pass through fire and water,

"Into that wealthy place,"

who do not feel that they have yet been brought to possess

"This land of rest, from inbred sin,  
The land of perfect holiness."

O ! why is it thus ? Would that my heart were as a mirror, to reflect, in living characters, the answer that its deep emotions dictate to the inquiry. May the Spirit of holiness communicate the answer to every sincere, inquiring Christian, while I attempt a reply.

There are, as has been said, certain unalterable requisitions laid down by the immutable Jehovah.