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The Christ of God

To know the Christ of God,
The everlasting Son ;
To know what He on earth
For guilty man has done :
This is the first and last
Of all that's true and wise ;
The circle that contains all light
Beneath, above, the skies.
Father, unseal my eyes,
Unveil my veiled heart,
Reveal this Christ to me !

The Christ who took man's flesh,
Who lived man's life below ;
Who died man's death for man,—
The death of shame and woe.
The Christ who from the cross
Descended to man's grave,
Then rose in victory and joy,
Mighty to bless and save !
Father, unseal my eyes,
Unveil my veiled heart,
Reveal this Christ to me !
—Horatius Bonar

The Gauge

A visitor to a training school for the men of the British Naval Reserve, after looking at the various guns employed, was shown in a lecture room the shells of different sizes which the guns fire. Lying on the table he saw a ring of hard steel with a handle attached, and asked its use. He was told that it was a gauge exactly fitting the shell, and was asked to try it on a shell. As he did so, the ring stopped half way down. The visitor looked at the shell, and saw a label of thin paper round the shell. "Does that slip of paper stop it?" he asked. "Yes," was the

reply, "the slightest enlargement would be enough to burst the gun, so we test every shell before we load, or there would be a terrible accident."

In God's law we have a gauge to test our conduct. Whatever does not fit into the requirements of that law we may be sure is full of danger.

Joshua, the Soldier

By Rev. J. M. Duncan, D.D.

Joshua was a soldier. Our first sight of him is at the head of Israel's army winning a great victory over the Amalekites on the way from Israel to Sinai.

We see him next when the Israelites had reached the very borders of the promised land. He was one of the twelve spies sent to find out what sort of a country Canaan was and whether Israel was able to conquer it. On the return of the spies Joshua took his stand along with Caleb, and urged the people to go forward at once and take possession of the land which God had given to them.

Joshua was a young man at the time of his desert victory and the report of the twelve spies. He was the attendant of Moses the great leader and lawgiver. And in this position he made good. He did his work so well, that God chose him to be Moses' successor. He deserved promotion, and God saw that he got it.

It was a big job to take the place of Moses, the greatest of all men before Christ came. No one would wonder had Joshua been afraid of the prospect. So God said to Moses: "Encourage him." The experienced leader must hearten the follower who