

THE SOWER.

CHRIST'S APPEAL

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." (Rev. iii. 20.) "Therefore will the Lord wait that He may be gracious unto you." (Is. xxx. 18.)

“ I AM standing outside thy door to-night,
Seeking thine heart to win; [light—
The world for a while has withdrawn it's
Wilt thou open and let me in ?

I have travelled far on a lonely road,
In sorrow and agony;
I have borne sin's heavy crushing load,
All for the sake of thee.”

“ I am standing to plead with thee to-night,
While the dews of evening fall;
O'er the moaning and surging waves of life,
Dost thou hear my yearning call ?
I would free thy soul from the chains of earth,
Its care, its sorrow, its sin,
I would give thee joy for its hollow mirth—
Wilt thou open and let me in ?”

“ From the glorious heights of heaven I came.
To seek thee and to save ;
But the world it gave me a cross of shame,
And a lonely borrowed grave.
I left my radiant home above,
All for the sake of thee ;
I have died, to prove my deep deep love—
Wilt thou open the door to me ?”