

and be saved." This is truly delightful and refreshing. There are many such free and unfettered exhibitions of the glorious, and soul-regenerating Gospel, in the volume from which the above extract is taken, and we hail with gladness this second edition of Dr. Anderson's capital work on regeneration.

M.

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN REGENERATION.

We purpose, in this paper, bringing to a close our observations on the articles in the *Presbyterian* for March and April, in which is repeated the false charge that E. Unionists, whose theology the *Day-Star* endeavours to expound, deny the work of the Holy Spirit in regeneration altogether.

We saw in our last that the writer of these articles in the *Presbyterian* holds that life is before faith in the soul, that the unregenerate are destitute of the faculty to understand the Gospel, that the Spirit regenerates the soul before, and in order to, faith by irresistible energy. We confess that his views respecting the work of the Spirit are not ours. Taking the Word of God as our guide we cannot accept of his views as the truth. We believe them to be, not only unscriptural, but injurious to the souls of men.

Before we consider the passages of Scripture which he quotes in proof of his views respecting the work of the Spirit, we wish to notice one or two things in his articles in addition to our observations in last month's *Star*.

This writer maintains that, although the sinner is destitute of the capacity or faculty to believe the Gospel, he is nevertheless responsible for believing it. He says, "Let it not be supposed that because the sinner labours under the inability or incapacity of which we have spoken that he must be held therefore irresponsible." His reason for holding that the sinner is responsible for believing the Gospel, though destitute of the faculty to believe it, is, that it is "sin, the love of sin that has vitiated man's moral nature and served to alienate his affections from God." But surely when he penned this language he forgot the words of his much-prized *Confession of Faith*.

II. "By this sin they (our first parents) fell from their original right-