

PREFACE.

This little Manual has been prepared in the hope that it may meet a felt need. It differs from most other works of the kind in two or three respects. First, it devotes a chapter to a discussion of what it is to be a Christian. After years of experience in conducting communicants' classes I have found that many present themselves as applicants for membership in full communion who are not clear as to their acceptance with God. A meeting devoted to the consideration of this subject has always been found to be beneficial. This chapter, it is hoped, will also make it a helpful booklet to place in the hands of the unsaved.

Then, I have found that little has been said in other Manuals on *immediate preparation* for coming to the Table, on our *thoughts at it*, and our *conduct after rising from it*, and our *duty as members of the church*. It is hoped that these chapters may be profitably read and studied, not only at a first communion, but in connection with subsequent ones. All of us need to have our minds stirred up by way of remembrance.

It is not intended to be an exhaustive exposition of the Lord's Supper. Its purpose is to treat, in a sufficiently full manner all matters essential to its right observance.

It is sent forth with the earnest prayer that the Master may use it for His Glory in the building up of young disciples in their most holy faith, fear and love.

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