

the prayer of dedication at the temple, a cloud filled the place where they worshipped. The psalmist says, "clouds and darkness are round about Him." The disciples at Olivet saw Him taken up and a cloud received Him out of sight. His own prediction regarding His return was, "Then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." Now on the mountain top a cloud comes and hides Jesus and Moses and Elijah from the wondering gaze of the three disciples. They were themselves enveloped by it, and they feared as they entered the cloud.

(d). As they look in amazement the cloud passed away, a new sight is granted to them. They see no man save Jesus only. Moses and Elias were gone, and their Master alone was with them. Perhaps, the importance of these two began to occupy a part of their attention. The one was the representative of the law; he the emancipator of his people, mighty in miracle, great in meekness, perhaps the most heroic figure amongst all the heroes of faith. A greater than Moses is here, and they see no man save Jesus only. This Jesus of Nazareth is the Son of God, who counted it not robbery to be equal with God. Greater than Moses as a liberator of the people; by His power He has led countless numbers out of a worse slavery than Egyptian bondage, into the glorious liberty of the children of God. If the Son will make you free you shall be free indeed; He came to give liberty to the captive, to free men from Satan who leads captive at his will, to deliver from self and the evil of the world, to save to the uttermost all that come to God by Him.

He is greater than Moses as an intercessor; he was willing to be blotted out for the sake of the people, but the Son of Man gave his life as a ransom for the sins of the world. By His prayers He saved Peter from being carried away on the winds of temptation. He was continually offering prayer for the chosen band selected to give the world the knowledge of His name. Now in heaven He is our great High Priest, our Advocate at the right hand of God. He is greater than the