

your way safely wherever duty calls you to go. If you lay up for yourself treasures only on earth, you will be poor with all your gains. If you lay up treasures in heaven, you will be rich with all your losses. If you look only to man for comfort in the day of need, you will be helpless and desolate with all your friends. If you have God for your Father, you can hope and rejoice though every human friend should forsake you.

### GONE FROM GOD'S SIGHT.

An old applewoman in a country village, after hearing the gospel preached, believed, in all its simplicity, the wonderful record of God's love, and rejoiced in her newly-found Saviour. She knew that all her sins were washed away by His blood, and that she was saved. One and another tried to shake the old woman's faith, but in vain. Her stronghold was God's word, in which He tells us that His gift is eternal life, and that those accepting Christ shall never perish; and her resting-place was the work of the Lord.

A friend, educated in the doubting school, sought to test the old woman's faith, but her simple reply, "Jesus was delivered for my offences, and raised again for my justification," stopped his arguments upon the question of her past sins being forgiven,

"Ah! but what about the sins you have committed to-day?" asked the questioner.

"Well," she replied, "when I sin, I go to God and confess what I have done, and He forgives me;" triumphantly adding, "why, to be sure, aint Jesus a-sitting up there a-purpose?"

May it be yours, reader, to know in your inmost soul with this simple woman, that "if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life;" for it is "Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us."—H. N.

### LIGHT.

"Bring it into the light," we say, when we have to decide on the real character of that which is under our eye, "this place is too dark for us to judge as to its actual nature and worth." So may we say of our work for God, or of our ways one with another, "Bring it into the light." No right estimate of what we are, or of what we do, can be formed in a dark place. As Christians, we are called to shun the dark place, as well as dark deeds, dark words, and dark thoughts. "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all; and if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." The only place to judge rightly of what we are and what we do is the light.

There is a power and glory in the Gospel such as human philosophy never has even approached. It enlarges the heart and opens the hand for the good of all human kind. It conquers selfishness and transforms the soul from hate to love. It is from the heart of God.