

not return unto me void ; but it shall accomplish that which I please, and prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." The Word of Truth, as administered by his servants is noticed in another passage, as identified with, and in fact constituting the grand means for the salvation of the souls of men. "Whosoever," says the apostle, "shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

This is God's plan for the renovation of our fallen world. "All flesh is grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away : but the Word of the Lord endureth forever." So the continuance of the Word or Gospel of Christ as the weapon by which the kingdom of Christ is to be advanced, shall certainly secure the stability and permanence of the Redeemer's fame. "The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." And accordingly, wherever the Gospel is published, and the Cross of Christ is lifted up, *there* we may say, an ensign is presented around which the tribes of earth shall gather, and thus the grand and glorious consummation will be attained, when "men shall be blessed" in Jesus, "and all nations shall call Him blessed."

III.—This is the third part of our subject: The results of Christ's reign.