

III. AND INTO THIS GLORY THE CHRISTIAN IS RECEIVED. "Thou shalt *receive* me to glory." God receives his children when they attain their majority, and come home as His heirs and joint heirs with Christ, to take possession of their inheritance, which is "incorruptible, undefiled, and fadeth not away." Holy angels and redeemed Spirits *welcome the pilgrim from the land of the dying to the land of the living.* What a glorious Reception! What a blessed Introduction to the "fulness of joy, and the pleasures at God's right hand for ever more." When the Christian looks back and thinks that he was saved from Sin and Satan, Death and Hell, Called with a holy calling, Justified by Faith in the Atonement of Calvary, Sanctified by the Spirit, Led through the journey of life, Enlightened in darkness, Strengthened in weakness, Counsell'd in perplexity, Comforted in sorrow, Kept in prosperity, Protected in danger, Supplied in want, and Crowned a conqueror over the last enemy; and then considers the Eternal Blessedness around him and before him, what Rapture must fill his soul! what Hallelujahs will he sing to the Triune God, who Brought him Out, Brought him Up, and Brought him Home! What sacred delight must fill the entire being of the Christian when he hears the Master say: "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy