

THE PSALMS SUITED TO ALL EXPERIENCES.

Because they both touch and cover every possible condition of a real Christian experience, the study of the Psalms will always be found profitable to a true child of God. Those Psalms respond so fully, and with such perfect harmony, to the inspired teachings of the New Testament Scriptures, and they so fully meet the wants of our frail and struggling humanity, that they should always be read in close connection, with those later Scriptures. While they are not of course fully intelligible to the worldly reader, they will always be found to have a precious intelligibility to all, who fully apprehending their source and purport, go to them for light in times of darkness, for sure comfort in seasons of sorrow, and for spiritual strength in seasons of felt spiritual weakness. Prayerfully and humbly read, they always assure us that the heavenly Father will never forsake one of His trusting children; they lift us from the deeply darkened valley of despondency, to the sun-lighted heights of an assurance of His ever watchful protection and constant care. And so the doubting and fainting pilgrim is refreshed, and arises and girds himself anew for a journey which ends only at the open door of the house with many mansions, one of which he finds reserved for him. A wonderful book is that same Book of Psalms. —*Sel.*

REST IN THE LORD.

"The wicked are like the troubled sea, which cannot rest." Tossed and beaten by storms of passion, restless as the heaving tides, God's peace is unknown to them. They have no inward rest, and they have no resting-place where their soul can find refuge. Like Noah's dove, they "flit between rough seas, and stormy skies." To mortals thus labouring and heavy-laden, Christ sends the gracious invitation, "Come unto Me, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, and ye shall find rest to your souls."

The restless cannot rest wherever they are; and the faint and weary fail to rest because they have no resting-place. Christ gives an inward rest, a rest to the soul, and He also affords a resting-place where heart and flesh may find repose.

Rest in the Lord. Rest in his love, which satisfies the deepest yearnings of the human heart; rest in his care, which watches over the lowliest, and notes the sparrow's fall; rest in his providence, which never fails, and which is over all his works; rest in his promises, which are exceeding great and precious, and which cover the needs of his trusting children in every state and condition in life. O weary, way-worn, burdened, tempted, despondent, troubled soul, there is rest for you. Go to Him who giveth rest. "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him. Return unto thy rest, O my soul, for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee." —*Sel.*

In Galt, Ontario, there is quite an exciting "heresy" case. Seven members of Knox (Presbyterian) Church there have teaching the doctrine of "entire sanctification." Whether it was to this case that he referred we do not know, but the *Chicago Interior* says that Spurgeon not long since wrote a letter to a Presbyterian pastor, in a town where some "spiritually perfect and sinless" folk were making a sensation, begging him to catch a specimen and send him on, marked right side up, as a curiosity for Londoners to see. The great preacher declared that he had known people "who might have been thought perfect, but they always disclaimed it; and some who claimed it, while no mortal ever believed in their pretensions." It is by no means those who claim to be perfect that their fellow men judging by their fruits think to be so.

PERSECUTION IN RUSSIA.

Not only has Colonel Pashkoff been banished from his native country for embracing and preaching evangelical truth, but his trusted servant, Basil Kirpitchnikoff, has learned even more sadly what it means to declare for the pure Gospel of Christ in preference to the Creed Church and its corruptions. Kirpitchnikoff by no means made himself offensive to his neighbors of the Orthodox faith, but simply told those around him that he no longer revered images or believed in the intervention of the saints. False witnesses, however, rose up against him, and, being condemned by the tribunal, he was sent to Siberia in chains. There he remains, but with a consolation of which his enemies are deplorably ignorant.