

II. WHAT THE OWNER HAS A RIGHT TO EXPECT.

1. That we shall glorify Him. One of the duties of the thing possessed is to add to the glory of the owner. Painting. Ocean cable, etc.

2. That we shall give Him pleasure. A man can please God. See please, delight, in your Concordance.

3. That we shall serve Him. We expect our horses and machinery to serve us. We are to do all we can for God.

4. To do with us as He pleases, within certain limits.

III. WHAT WE HAVE A RIGHT TO EXPECT OF GOD.

1. That He shall love us. We love what we own.

2. That He will care for us. We care for our property. Love a disposition; care is that disposition in action. The love and care of God. The privilege of being His.

COLEMAN.*

Funeral Service.

Hopeless and Hopeful Dying.

The wicked is driven away in his wickedness; but the righteous hath hope in his death.—Prov. xiv: 32.

Subject, *Death*. Two characters contemplated, and deaths contrasted. The One Hopeless—The death of Horror. The Other Hopeful—The death in Hope.

I. THE HOPELESS.

Whose? "The wicked"—the unconverted.

What?

1. The condition in which he dies. "In his wickedness." He lived careless and indifferent, encased in false hope; or hardened and scoffing, fighting against God. So he dies. Driven away, not *from* but *in* his wickedness. Death makes no change of character. *Habits adhere*. "As tree falls." "Unjust still."

2. The compulsion under which he dies. "*Driven away*." Ejected from this life's engagements, enjoyments, and means of improvement. Torn away from possessions, pursuits,

pleasures, and prospects here. "This night—thy soul—then whose," etc.? Death takes no bribes. Wishes and protests unheeded. "Driven . . . chased out," etc. (Job xviii: 18.) Sheriff's arrest. Haled to eternal prison.

II. THE HOPEFUL.

Whose, "the Righteous" in moral position, principle, practice.

What—Hopeful of—

1. Divine support in it.

(a) Needed, because of body's pains, affections' ties, conscience failures.

(b) Promised. "As day . . . strength." "When thou passest," etc.

(c) Realized. "Yea, tho' I walk," etc.

2. Decisive victory over it.

Present—Death disarmed. Sting extracted. Fear removed. Foe become friend, bringing deliverance from sorrow, suffering and sin.

Prospective—Grave robbed. "Resurrection of Life."

3. Heavenly Glory after it.

(a) Angelic convoy. "Lazarus carried by angels." "Hark, they whisper," etc.

(b) Immediate entrance. "Absent from body . . . at Home," etc.

(c) Then reunion of soul and body in heavenly glory.

All must die.

Which—yours? A sheriff's arrest, or a Saviour's arrival? (John xiv: 3.)

RELLIM.*

A Thrilling Life and its Lessons.

And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.—Judges i: 7.

All Scripture profitable. Unused texts may not be useless ones. This text, peculiar as it is, sets forth a thrilling life throbbled with serious truths.

THEME. — *Adoni's Thrilling Life and its Lessons.*

I. THE LIFE.