

the tired travellers tarry for awhile, when it is toward evening with them and their day is far spent ; and when they find light at eventide. There are certain of the company who in their time have seen visions of angels and these cheer their companions with stories of how that their Lord has done for them, and how that He is risen indeed.

Here this band of godly women all wait together in faith and hope, until it is time for them, one by one, to go up to the New Jerusalem. In the fair refectory, as they sit at meat, they commune one with another as to all the wonderful things that have happened to them by the way ; and of how all these things worked together for their good because One drew near and walked with them, though at the time their eyes were holden that they should not know Him. And in the beautiful little chapel dedicated to Saint Mary of Bethany and adorned with stained windows representing all the virgin saints, where everything tends to symbolize the fact that there are some women called virgins who forego the common lot of domestic toil and happiness and choose the better part of self-sacrifice and self-abnegation, these blessed souls find still greater rest and refreshment ; for here His ministers expound unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself ; and here the Master is made known to them in Breaking of Bread.

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