

Scripture more frequently sets it forth by describing its negative qualities, than by seeking to convey to us adequate conceptions of the intensity of enjoyment experienced by the redeemed.

But, further, the believers' death may be compared to sleep, not only to remind us of the rest which remains for the people of God, but also to intimate that as the dawn of morning breaks in upon the darkness of night, and rouses up the sleeper to the vivacity and enjoyment of a new day, so the Resurrection Morning will dawn upon the darkness of the grave, and call forth the sleeping dust to the activities and enjoyments of eternal day. The sleep of the grave is not eternal. Christ Jesus has brought life and immortality to light by the Gospel. The Saviour has said, "Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming, in which all that are in their graves shall hear the voice of the Son of Man, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation." [John V. 28, 29.] When Christ shall come to Judgment, them that sleep in Jesus will he bring with him; and having pronounced their acquittal from the Judgment Seat, he will take them with him to his Heavenly Kingdom, where they shall be ever present with the Lord. There their sun shall no more go down, and the days of their mourning shall be ended. In that city to which they go "they have no need of the sun,