

of a superior being who ordered me to follow him; I was accordingly wafted along, I know not how, till I beheld at a distance an ineffable glory, the impression of which on my mind it is impossible to communicate to mortal man. I immediately reflected on my happy change, and thought, 'Well, blessed be God, I am safe at last, notwithstanding all my fears!' I saw an innumerable host of happy beings, surrounding the inexpressible glory in acts of adoration and joyous worship; but I did not see any bodily shape or representation in the glorious appearance. I heard things unutterable. I heard their songs and hallelujahs of thanksgiving and praise with unspeakable rapture. I felt joy unutterable and full of glory. I then applied to my conductor, and requested leave to join the happy throng, on which he said, 'You must return to the earth.' This seemed like a sword through my heart. In an instant I recollect to have seen my brother standing before me disputing with the doctor. The three days during which I had appeared lifeless seemed to me not more than ten or twenty minutes. The idea of returning to this world of sorrow and trouble gave me such a shock that I fainted repeatedly." He added: "Such was the effect on my mind of what I had seen and heard that if it be possible for a human being to live entirely above the world and the things of it for some time afterwards, I was that person. The ravishing sound of the songs and hallelujahs that I heard and the very words that were uttered, were not out of my ears when awake for at least three years. All the kingdoms of the earth were in my sight as nothing and vanity; and so great were my ideas of heavenly glory that nothing which did not in some measure relate to it could command my serious attention."

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Delightful thought! that the very first act of Christ's intercession in heaven should be a prayer for us gentiles! And still more delightful it is, that this prayer has been so mercifully heard, and that so many islands of the sea have been gathered to Christ! May "all the ends of the earth remember, and turn unto the Lord!"