

## THE TWO MUSTS OF JOHN III.

“**Y**E *must* be born again,” is absolute—no one is exempt for the reason that his nature is sinful and unchangeable, “that which is born of the flesh is flesh,” (see Rom. viii, 7), and “except a man be born of water, (the word of God, I Pet. i, 23), and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God,” and *must perish*. But in order that grace might “reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord,” Rom. v, 21), and man be a partaker “of the divine nature,” (II Pet. i, 4), the justice of God *must* be met, and therefore there must be a sacrifice, “so *must* the Son of man be lifted up.” This has been provided, “for God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that *whosoever* believeth in Him should *not* perish, but have *everlasting life*.” And the word of God gives assurance to faith: “*Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God*.” (I John v, 1).

Verily, verily, I say unto you, *He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life*.” (John vi, 47). Nor does God ever recall His gifts, “For the gifts and calling of God *are without repentance*,” (Rom. xi, 29); and you have His word for it, that you can “*never perish*.” (see John x, 28).

Do you want assurance; receive His testimony. “He that hath received His testimony hath set to His seal that God is true.” (John iii, 33).