tance from the edges and then gradually come out to the edges, thus effecting a smooth surface. But there is no room for planishing here. This is breaking off, this is giving up. Drop the self-life like a hot iron. It burns with awful fires. Full-shining of the love of God, smite our self-life dead!

Look at Elisha. Word is come that his master Elijah is to be taken away from him. He and Elijah are on their way to the other side of Jordan, where the great scene of Elijah's translation is to occur. The young men from the school of the prophets wait yonder on the hillside, jeering at Elisha. "Knowest thou not that thy master will be taken away from thee to-day?" He answers, "Yes, I know it, hold your peace." The journey is completed and Elisha makes his request that a double portion of Elijah's spirit may rest upon him. The assurance that his request will be answered, if the condition is fulfilled, is given to Elisha. The condition is fulfilled. Elisha has watched him ascending, the mantel has fallen, and Elisha has made his way back to Jordan. Elijah with that mantel divided the waters of the Jordan when they passed over together. Can Elisha divide them now? The test is ready. The boys from the school of the prophet watch to see what he will do. I think I see him step forth