

Funeral Service.**Meekness for the Inheritance.**

Giving thanks to the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.—Col. i: 12.

OUR present life the smallest and poorest part of existence. Death to the undying spirit is the birthday of our real royalty.

The life of eternity is already begun especially true of the regenerate. The highest significance and use of the present is a discipline for the bearing the "exceeding weight of glory."

The life of heaven must, in its elements, be begun and practiced here below. How shall we do this? The business of heaven is to love and glorify God by conformity of our will and character to His.

That which is worthless for heaven must be foreign to a true earthly life. Impulsive amiability will not take the place of principled and voluntary consecration to God here any more than in heaven.

For this preparation :

Faith the realizing power.

Hope the fortifying power.

Love the uniting and developing power.

J. S. K.

Communion Season.**Church Fellowship.**

And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers.—Acts 2: 42.

CHRISTIANS one body in Christ animated by one soul. Fellowship the natural expression.

I. Its nature.—Spiritual, voluntary. A mutuality of faith, love, and doctrine. Working out into obedience, and sustained by mutual intercession.

II. Duties it involves.—Regular intercourse. "Not forsaking the assembling," etc. Frank and unreserved exhibition of affection. Mutual helpfulness.

III. Blessed results.—Development

and symmetry of character. Increase of comfort, and security as against common foes. J. S. K.

Sermon to Young Men.**Bearing the Yoke in Youth.**

It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.—Sam. iii: 27.

THE nature and significance of the yoke, and the reasons why it is good to bear it in youth, are the points presented.

I. Yoke, an emblem of subjection and discipline. At first galling, it becomes to the submissive not only easy but helpful. Christ's yoke easy.

(a) Unrestrained liberty impossible. Subjection to law the condition of existence. Obedience to perfect, righteous and beneficent law the highest liberty.

II. Good to bear it in youth, because :

(a) It is easier then than afterwards to be broken into the yoke of Christ.

(b) The peculiar usefulness attained by those who bear it in youth.

(c) The peculiar happiness youthful piety secures its possessor. J. S. K.

The Opportunities of City Life.

Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths. She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, etc.—Prov. viii: 1-3.

EVERY post of action and responsibility has both its advantages and perils. If a man has a virtuous will and aim, he will seize the opportunity for noble achievement.

I. The very rush and intense activities make up and develop energy.

II. The constant interaction of men upon each other, revealing varieties of character, leading to broad and humane views, obliterating self-conceit, developing charity.

III. A great educating gymnasium in which moral sinew is toughened and nerve strengthened. J. S. K.