

ize the happiness of those who know their sins are forgiven, and that a glorious inheritance awaits them beyond death and the grave.

5. What is salvation? This is a great question, and like all such subjects is more easily described negatively. It comprises so much, that it is far easier to say what it is not, than what it is. The text treats the subject in this way. The calamity of soul destruction to be avoided is described as being "cast out." By inference, the good of salvation to be attained is evading the result of being "cast out." The fate of the wicked is described in the Word as being "cast out into outer darkness, where there is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth." Salvation is, on one side, being saved from this awful punishment. It is, on the other, being admitted to all the glory and blessedness of God and His people in Heaven. Here is something which must appeal to us, for we want to escape the punishment of sin, and to obtain the happiness of the Kingdom of God. Dear friends! there is only one way in which we can do it. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" says Christ. And "Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out." Kindred passages teach us the futility of trusting to any other means of salvation. Begone all the devices of worldly wisdom, all the imagining of the natural heart, all the suggestions of Satan, Christ and nothing but Christ for my salvation.

In conclusion, we as a congregation, pastor and people, beg to convey an expression of our sympathy with the bereaved family and friends. We feel that your loss has been great, but her gain is greater. Her place is now vacant at the family fireside, but we believe that it is filled by her immortal spirit in the Heavenly circle. No more shall we see her in her accustomed place in the earthly sanctuary in the midst of the gatherings of God's people, but we believe that if we had eyes that could see within the vail, we should see her in the "upper sanctuary" with the saints, and the angels, and the dear Lord and Saviour. A seat is empty in our church choir, but we trust that it is compensated for, by an accession to the great throng that surrounds the throne in glory singing the song of Moses and of the Lamb. The voice of a sweet singer has been hushed whilst we listened; but we believe that this was so, only in order that it might take up a higher note and a loftier strain in the chorus of the redeemed.

To the devoted father, an elder in our own church, to the loving mother, a mother in Israel, to the tender-hearted sisters and faithful brother, to all the kindred and connexions we would convey our heartfelt