not be satisfied with a half obedience, but, having walked in what God says, we may rest in His love, and have our altar until He come in whom are all the promises; even JESUS, in whom all the promises of God are YEA and AMEN, to the glory of God by us.

"CONCERNING THE COLLECTION FOR THE SAINTS UPON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK."

I COR. XVI. 1, 2.

In the above Scripture we get a connection with the Lord's day which is worthy of notice. The apostle says, "Concerning the collection for the saints, as I gave order to the assemblies of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him for at home in store whatsoever he may be prospered in, that there be not collections then when I come." Here is a duty of love associated with the first day of the week. If it were a mere question of the saints remembering their poor brethren, there seems no reason why the collections might not have been from time to time as need was made known. Nor is it certainly a bare question of laying by at home, though it is well known that some learned commentators declare this to be the meaning of "by him" (par' heautou). As if it were some great matter, they tell us that "laying by him," as a phrase taken by itself, means nothing more.