

Believer, improve the time. Let your prayer be, Lord, teach me so to number my days that I may apply my heart unto wisdom. See that ye walk circumspectly, not as a fool, but as wise, redeeming the time, seeing the days are evil. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.

"Let us then be up and doing
With a heart for any fate,
Still achieving still pursuing,
Learn to labour, and to wait."

Sinner, in with thee at once to the ark of safety. Destruction may come suddenly upon you. God's longsuffering waits on you because he is not willing that you should perish. But his patience has a limit. Now is the accepted time. O behold and rest on the atoning Saviour as the pathway to a blissful immortality. A.

THE MISSION AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.*

Mr. Chairman and Beloved Friends,—The subject on which I am called to address you this evening is one of vital moment; and I am only sorry that the time allowed me on the present occasion will not admit of my doing anything like justice to so important an article of our faith. And I regret this the more, sir, that there is no one point on which we have been more grossly misrepresented than that of the work of the Holy Spirit in conversion. For though we hold, as firmly as any, that

"The transformation of apostate man
From fool to wise, from earthly to divine,
Is work for him that made him,"

and have taught the same from the pulpit, and through the press, yet have we been charged a thousand times over with denying the work of the Holy Spirit. No doubt, sir, we deny that it is what some creeds represent it to be—irresistible in its nature, and limited in its extent. But to reject these representations of the work of the Holy Spirit, and to deny that work itself, are surely two widely different things. We can discern in the light of

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