

man upright, but he hath sought out many inventions." From the state of innocence and immortality man fell. "And unto Adam God said, because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." This was the doom of Adam; but what of his posterity? "By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." "In Adam all die." "It is appointed unto men once to die." "All go unto one place, all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again." Such is the doom of all Adam's posterity, of all mankind. But what is the consolation? Altho' "death shall feed on them and their beauty shall consume in the grave, yet will God redeem my soul from the power of the grave; therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoiceth—my flesh also shall rest in hope;" for "I know that my Redeemer liveth and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth, and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." "I am the resurrection and the life (said the Saviour of the world); he that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Such is the