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“I am the light of the world.”
“Preach the Gospel to every creature.”—JESUS.

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PAUL'S DETERMINATION TO PREACH CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED.

When Paul first went among the Corinthians as God's ambassador, to open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, he tells us that he determined to know nothing among them save Jesus Christ and him crucified. He preached Christ in his person, and Christ in his work. He found enough in Christ to beautify and gladden his own soul, and it was his great object to make him known to others. No doubt Paul preached Christ as a Divine Saviour, a loving, living, reigning Redeemer. He proclaimed him as having, in his obedience until death on the cross, painted a true likeness of the character of God, made atonement for sin, and thus as having opened the way to God and to purity. The cross is the distinguishing glory of Christianity. It was prefigured by the types and sacrifices of the old economy. The Lord's supper points back to it. It is the greatest display of Divine love which has been given to the universe. It is the fullest provision for the spiritual wants and moral maladies of man. Some in modern times preach a cold, dry, lifeless morality, rather than the cross of Jesus. Paul preached the cross as the best means of promoting true morality. Paul gloried in the cross, and he gloried in preaching the cross. When the first missionaries to Greenland first made known to the people of that arctic land the love of God in the gift of Jesus to die for sinners, effects were produced which did not follow the abstract teaching about God and his attri-