

Wanted

FOR THE LORD'S SERVICE.

1. **M**EN, like Daniel, who will mourn before God and make confession of the sins and iniquities of the nation, and beseech the Lord to turn away His anger and His fury from us. Dan. 9: 3, 4; Deut. 11: 25.

2. Men, like Shadrach and his brethren, who would rather burn than bow down to any image made with hands. Exodus 20: 4, 5; Dan. 3: 4, 7, 23, 25, 28.

3. Men in authority, of Nehemiah's faithful spirit, who will "cast forth" the altars, crosses and other Popish toys imported by the Roman Tobiah into the House of our God, and restore that pure scriptural doctrine and worship which our fathers sealed with their own blood. Neh. 13: 4-9; Jude 3, 4; Rev. 14: 10, 11.

4. Men, like Paul, taught of the Spirit, who will determine to know nothing, for life and salvation, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified. 1 Cor. 12: 3; 2: 2, 13.

5. Men, like the Bereans, gifted with wisdom, who will daily search those Holy Scriptures which are the patrimony of God's people, the revealing evidence of the Holy Ghost, and the confusion of the Evil One. Acts 17: 10, 12; Deut. 29: 29; John 16: 13; Matt. 4: 10, 11.

6. Young men, like Jabez, who fear God, and recoil from evil, striving against it, and so kept from it, by prayer and practice. 2 Thess. 2: 8.

7. Young women, like gracious Ruth, who, at all costs, cleave to the cause of God, and to the society of His servants. Ruth 1: 16, 17; 2: 11, 12; 1 John 3: 14; Psalm 101: 1-4.

8. Matrons, like the pious Shunamite, who are content to keep at home, do not affect high friendships, but love to entertain holy men as they go about doing good. 2 Kings 4: 8, 13; Titus 2: 5; 1 Tim. 5: 9, 14.

9. Fathers, like Abraham, who will command their children, and their households after them, to keep the way of the Lord. Gen. 19: 19; Prov. 10: 21; Luke 19: 20, 24, 26.

10. Brethren, like Aaron and Hur, who will hold up the hands of Faithful pastors, and plead the blessing down. Exodus 17: 9-12; 2 Thess. 3: 1, 2.

11. Sisters who, like Mary, sit at Jesus' feet to hear His words; and yet, like Martha, love to wait upon Him and serve Him, in His needy and suffering ones. Luke 10: 38, 39; John 12: 2; Matt. 25: 37-40.

12. Heads of Families, like Caleb, who follow the Lord fully; and like Joshua, openly declare, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Acts 10: 2; Num. 14: 24; Jos. 24: 15.

13. Wives, to the pattern in Prov. 31: 10-31.

14. Mothers, like Hannah, who bring their babes into the world by prevailing prayer; and in due time give them up to God, trained to serve and glorify Him for ever. 1 Sam. 1: 10, 11, 24-28.

15. Maidens, taught of God to prove, as did she in Naaman's family, "a word spoken in due season how good is it." 2 Kings 5: 1-4, 15; Prov. 15: 23.

16. Servants of Christ, like Barnabas, the Son of Consolation, who will lead on willing but weak souls with tenderness; and will improve the good parts of all Christ's people, to the prosperity of the Churches in holiness and peace. Acts 11: 22-26; 9: 27; Gal. 6: 2; 1 Thess. 5: 14.

Who, then, is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord? 1 Chron. 29: 5.

The Glory of God.*

(Selected from the last Sermon preached by the late Dr. Mackay, in Oban, August 16, 1885.)

I ASK you this question, dear brother in Christ, In the light of that glory, *who shall be able to stand?*

All the greatest of earth's history have been prostrated before it. If we look at chap. 20, verse 18, of Exodus, the redeemed people were unable to stand; and in Hebrews 12: 21, when Moses speaks of this, he says, "I exceedingly fear and quake." Then, again, in Exodus 33: 23, "And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts, but my face shall not be seen."

So that *Moses* was unable to stand.

Then, if we go on as we read in 1 Chron. 21: 16, we find another passage, "And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the Lord stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces."

So that *David* was unable to stand.

And again, we find in 2 Chron. 5: 14, "So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God."

So that the *priests* were unable to stand.

When Job *saw* the glorious One, he had to exclaim (42: 6), "Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes."

So *Job* was unable to stand.

And, if we go on to Isaiah 6: 5, we find, "Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

Isaiah was unable to stand.

And in Ezekiel 1: 28, we find, "And when I saw it, I fell upon my face."

Ezekiel was unable to stand.

And if we come to Daniel, that precious man who loved "the book," we find (chap. 10: 8), "Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me."

Daniel was unable to stand.