

guest, in respectable society would do this in our day, their names would be cast out as evil. Is *it possible* then to conceive that Jesus did? Is this like him who said "watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation," who said "if any man will come after me let him *deny himself*," and who was the holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners? who will be bold enough to affirm this? who will dare to say that he who came among other things to set a perfect example before men, made all this alcoholic wine, for men in such a state. Perish the thought forever as a foul libel upon the spotless character of Jesus.

(b) Notice secondly, the object of this miracle. It was the manifestation of the Divine Glory, we read, "This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory." Now which would manifest the glory of Christ the most, and the best. The creation of a maddening, enervating, subtle poison, which in the ages to come would ruin millions of men. Or the creation of a luscious, wholesome, nutritious beverage which would add both to the health, and happiness of man. The question is easily answered. How did God the Father make wine? He made it, but not alcoholic. To prevent its formation, God exerted infinite skill in the formation of the grape. He put the saccharine matter in one sack, or cell, and the glutinous mat-