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"And the Lord turned and looked upon Peter."—Luke xxii. 61.

THE Saviour's silent survey of Peter, recorded in this passage, was certainly not the last instance in which a divine look has searched and subdued a wayward human heart. Our Lord is ever looking upon every one of His creatures; and no man can be conscious that Christ is deliberately viewing him, with strange significant penetrating gaze, without feeling stirred to the very centre of his being.

Yet, doubtless, Jesus looks upon many a one who has not the faintest idea that his Maker is specially regarding him! The unobservant man is invariably a loser. There is the unobservant traveller: he roams perhaps around the entire globe, and yet he looks at things so superficially that he is little the wiser for his outlay and his pains. There is the unobservant reader: he skims through many volumes every month, but his mind (like some coarse sieve) retains at best only the rougher and less valuable material. There