

in His character of entire separation to God, we are not *witnesses* for our Saviour. Christ having come, permanent nazariteship should characterize the saints as it does the Lord ; and the more the ruin increases, the more apparent will this become. The second epistle of Timothy, which tells us of the last days, is full of the characteristics of nazariteship. In chap. ii. 19, it is the Nazarite withdrawing from iniquity ; in chap. ii. 21, it is his purifying himself for God ; in chap. iii. 10, 11, and iv. 5-7, it is, as the servant of God, walking in forgetfulness of self and in absolute dependence on the Lord. Is it not the Nazarite who speaks in 2 Cor. iv. 7-12 ? In chap. vi.-vii. 1, of this same epistle we again find the principal traits of nazariteship ; reproach and self-forgetfulness in vs. 4-10 ; separation from all association with the world in vs. 14, 15 ; cleansing from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit in chap. vii. 1. Quotations might be multiplied. What it is important to establish is, that there is for us, neither walk, nor testimony, nor service, without nazariteship ; that is to say, without devotedness and separation to God.

In ver. 6, Manoah's wife told her husband about the angel's visit : " A man of God came unto me, and his countenance was like the countenance of an angel of God, very terrible ; but I asked him not whence he was, neither told he me his name." This poor woman had but little intelligence ; she knew neither whence the angel came nor who he