

nature fitted to enjoy the highest heaven, yet finding himself in a scene where all is darkness, confusion and sin, with Satan its prince, he knows One who has passed through it all in a far deeper way than he is called to ; suffering, dying under it, yet, O blessed be His name, He gained the *victory*, and that for the comfort and encouragement of His poor sheep. Can we not *trust* such an One ; can we not tell out our deepest sorrow to Him, and shall we not find a sympathy that no human heart can give ? Most certainly we shall. "Therefore, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in *every* time of need."

But Christ, as High Priest, is not only our Sympathiser, He is our Intercessor also ; that is, He is our representative before God. In this respect there were "many priests" before Christ came, belonging to the old order of things for God's earthly people—the Jews. But time would fail us now to go deeply into this ; our object being merely to set forth as simply as possible the practical truths in connection with Christ as High Priest or Intercessor for *Christians*. We shall therefore turn to the 8th chapter of Hebrews, 23rd to 27th verses, "And they truly were *many* priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death ; but this man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore He is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make *intercession* for them. For such an high priest *became* us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens ; who needeth not