

## A SERVANT FOR EVER.

EXODUS XXI. 2-6.

It will be profitable to look at what Scripture says about the Lord Jesus as "The Servant," and to meditate a little season on the moral glory attaching to Him as such.

Another has very beautifully and truly said, "Love delights to serve;" and we see it exemplified in perfection in the blessed Lord. "In all things He hath the pre-eminence" is as true of Him as the Servant as in every other position that He has ever filled.

How brightly the above passage in Exodus lights up when we see in it a type of Him as the Servant! Phil. ii. 7, shows us that He "took upon Him the form of a servant" when He "was made in the likeness of men." It was a new thing for the one "by whom all things were created" (Col. i. 16); who "spake, and it was done, He commanded, and it stood fast" (Ps. xxxiii. 9), to be in the position of receiving commands; and so we find in Ps. xl. 6, it is said of Him, "Mine (lit. 'for me') ears hast thou digged (margin). Then in Heb. x. 5, the Holy Spirit accepts the Septuagint rendering (conveying as it does the right thought), "a body hast thou prepared for me," thus identifying what Ps. xl. 6-8 says with Phil. ii. 7.

What led Him to take this place? "Lo, I come to do Thy will, O God." In keeping with this, we