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[Compiled by  
Rev. Henry W. Harris, F.S.]

Καὶ αὕτη ἐστὶν ἡ μαρτυρία, ὅτι ζωὴν αἰώνιον ἔδωκεν ἡμῖν ὁ θεὸς· καὶ αὕτη ἡ ζωὴ ἐν τῷ υἱῷ αὐτοῦ ἐστίν.

1 John 5:11.

**American Tract Society,**

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W. L. L.  
of  
Rev. Henry M. Stanley, D.D.

**I**f any reader shall have faith strengthened, or comfort supplied, through the manifestation of the Son of God in these selections from his Holy Word, the Compiler will have a rich reward—over and above what has come to his own heart while making them for use in his pastoral work.

It may be well to add that, while the “natural order of Scripture” has been freely disregarded, and passages—even parts of sentences—have been brought together from remote places in the Bible, it is yet believed that “the mind of the Spirit” has been studiously regarded, and that an essential and vindicating unity will be recognized as running through them, fitly compacting what every joint supplieth toward a steadily progressive unfolding of the Great Theme.

H. M. S.

Orange, N. J., 1889.



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## *PRELUDE.*

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the floods clap their hands: let the hills be joyful together: let the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the Lord, because

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he cometh, he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth whose goings have been from of old, from everlasting. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord. He shall be called the Son of the Highest, and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel; which being interpreted, is, God with us.

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength. My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. Through



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the tender mercy of our God the day-spring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace. Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. For his mercy is on them that fear him, from generation to generation. Praise ye the Lord.

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### *INCARNATION.—ITS OBJECT.*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that

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God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. The record is that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. For when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that

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we might receive the adoption of sons; being justified freely by his grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: and because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father! He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? For if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God.

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us, declare we unto you, that ye may have fellowship with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.