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PREFACE.

CUSTOM demands a Preface, yet prefaces are seldom read—more rarely still approved. Often the book explains the preface more than the preface clears the book. 'Twere wiser, then, to put it *last*, that, having read the book, the Reader then might understand the preface! Should books refuse to tell their tale, and thus require another to tell it for them? Reader, you know, I trust, that "Scripture" comes from God. (2 Tim. iii. 16.) One God inspired it all. God spake by Moses; God spake by Solomon;

God spake in Christ; nay, more, *Christ* spake in Moses, and in the Preacher too. One law, one code of morals, is contained in all. The mind of God is one, and always one—not one in Solomon, another mind in Christ. What Moses said, or Solomon has preached, Christ contradicts not, but confirms. That which was duty *then*, is duty *now*. The times have changed—the precept is the same. The law could never justify. 'Twas meant to be, and to continue, the rule of life. The rule was founded on the will of God—His sense of right and wrong. Can this be altered? Can God be changed? What once was right is *always* right. What once was wrong is wrong *for ever*. The Gospel deepens and expands the rule, giving it infinite dimensions of truth, and power. And thus the Preacher's sermons may at once be turned to *Gospel* lessons. For *this* one

thing is needful—that thou *know the Lord*; that all be read, looking to Jesus and His cross. If thus thou honour Christ, the Spirit honours thee; opens the mind to see the mind of God; unfolds the unity of Scripture-truth, blending its every portion into Jesus, Himself the sum and substance of it all. Reader, may Scripture thus be opened, and thus the words of Solomon be blessed to thee and me!

