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Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth.

ISAIAH, 45 : 22.

JOHN 14:6.
I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.



Flocking to Christ as clouds, and as doves to their windows.

Isaiah, 60 : 8.

THE
JOURNEY TO HEAVEN;

ILLUSTRATED IN FIVE SERMONS;

TOGETHER WITH OTHER DISCOURSES,
APPROPRIATE TEXTS, HYMNS, ETC.,

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FOR THE BENEFIT OF FAMILIES, SABBATH-SCHOOLS, PRIVATE
INDIVIDUALS, AND CONGREGATIONS WHO ARE WITHOUT
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PREFACE.

The author of this small work has, for a long time, felt an anxious desire to take an active part in the fulfillment of the command of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature;" and also said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." It is a blessed privilege to go where Jesus goes, and to converse with souls who are under the influence of the Holy Spirit, and endeavor to persuade them to go to the fountain of eternal life, where they may drink and never thirst again.

With great joy the author has sometimes felt that he could leave home, dear friends and relatives, to go into the destitute portions of the world, and tell the story of the dying love of Jesus to poor sinners; thus pointing them to "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." But health and circumstances have hitherto prevented. He has, therefore, prepared this earnest and candid appeal to his fellow-mortals, bound to a long eternity from whence there is no return, with a prayerful hope that it may be instrumental, under God, in leading some never-dying souls to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thus be eternally saved.

It is earnestly desired that the solemn warnings and kind invitations from God's word (together with all that is agreeable to his will) contained in this small offering to Christ and to the world, may resound through the valley of the Mississippi, over the Rocky Mountains, through the golden regions of California and Oregon; through the North, through the South, and all parts of the land. Also, that it may be read on the trackless ocean, and be instrumental in the conversion of the abundance of the sea to God. The design is, to have it go where

the Gospel is seldom, if ever, preached; also, in other regions and destitute islands of the sea; and—wherever the Lord may be pleased to send it; that it may be read by troubled ones, who may feel as the Psalmist did when he exclaimed, “No man cared for my soul;” and that it may be read to them who cannot read for themselves; that they, too, may hear of the dying love of a crucified Redeemer, and learn to pray to him who came to seek and to save that which was lost.

In a few fleeting years, at most, the writer expects to be laid in the cold grave or the silent tomb; his voice will soon be hushed in death. But he does hope that (although he may be consigned to the narrow house, and devouring worms may move upon the lifeless tenement of clay) this imperfect appeal may be echoed through different regions, and over the briny ocean; and that the Spirit of the Lord may move with all his quickening and regenerating power upon the hearts of those who may read or hear it, and induce them to set out on the journey to heaven by yielding their hearts to Christ.

May the Lord grant that it shall be so, for the great Redeemer’s sake!

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SERMON I.

THE CHARACTER AND CONDITION OF THE UNCONVERTED.

“God be merciful to me a sinner.”—*Luke*, 18:13.

When souls set out on the journey to heaven, they see the necessity of making an effort to gain that celestial abode. In order to do this, they must have some idea of their own character and condition before their God, to whom they are accountable for all their doings in life. The suppliant in the text denominated himself a sinner, feeling, no doubt, that he deserved no better appellation. When sin enter the world, the character and condition of man was entirely changed. Instead of being surrounded with paradisiacal light and glory, he became enveloped in the dark and dismal shroud of sin and wickedness. Instead of developing the image of his Maker, it was that of the wicked one. In consequence of the fall of our first parents, all men are sinners; yet there are two classes, the penitent and impenitent; the converted and unconverted. In this discourse

I design to illustrate the character and condition of impenitent sinners—souls out of Christ, unreconciled to God, and unprepared to appear at the judgment-seat of Christ.

1st. I remark, their character is that of rebellion against their Maker and Benefactor. God declared that the children of Israel were “a rebellious nation, impudent children, and stiff-hearted.” If this was the character of the Jews, God’s chosen people, undoubtedly it is the character of the Gentiles. The Apostle says, Romans, 3: 23, “All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” Every person who lives in disobedience is lifting the puny arm of rebellion against God. “Ye stiff-necked, and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.” Acts, 7: 51. The impenitent roll sin as a sweet morsel under their tongue. Multitudes have resisted the Holy Ghost, to the destruction of their own souls. Some may draw nigh to God with their mouth, but their heart is far from him. The Apostle says, Romans, 8: 7, “The carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be:” that is, so long as it remains in a disobedient state. It is said, Psalm 14: 2, 3, “The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God;” but he declares in the third verse, “They are all gone aside; they are altogether become filthy: there is none that doeth good; no,