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THE LORD'S PRAYER IN THE OLD TESTA-MENT.

The following article, which we take from an what a fuiness and richness can be found in God's hely word. It likewise furnishes a powerful argument in favor of the divine origin and inspiration of the Bible, since our Saviour, as the Son of God, reiterates and stamps with his own divinity what the Holy Spirit, centuries before, had moved the prophets to declare. How truly do we find this Word to be a light to our feet, and a lamp to our path, and when we read it with prayerful attention, and ponder over its truths with faithfulness, and receive its declarations with confidence, deny to our Saviour his true position, and give to him, it will not fail to do us good.

Our Father who art in Heaven : Isa. lxiii. 16: "Doubtless thou art our Father." Isa. lxiv. 8 : " But now, O Lord, thou art our Father."

"Ecc. v. 2 : "For God is in heaven." Hallowed be thy name :

forget not all his benefits.'

scoffer was the son of a Christian widow, whose heart was well-nigh broken by his evil ways.

seeds in their hearts. One who became a daring

THE GLORY OF OUR REDEEMER.

any system of belief founded upon the Bible, when first one, three and thirty years ago. That my to him, the end thereof is death. its writers seem to labor and multiply illustrations to life and health have thus been preserved, and my exalt his person and rank above every name that is heart thus inclined to seek the Lord with his peonamed. What a marvellous series of arguments does ple, demands my thankful acknowledgment tothe inspired Apostle accumulate (Col. 1: 15-20), night, and my renewed consecration to his service. when combatting the errorists at Colosse, who would perhaps, the place of an angel, or, it may be, the Headship of angels, while refusing to accord to him confess myself a sinner. And though it may seem true divinity.

Paul. As no mortal eye had seen or could see Jeho- more every day of my life. Oh, learn by experivah, because he "holdeth back the face of his throne, ence to follow Christ more faithfully than I have and spreadeth a cloud upon it," he must needs be done." And for himself and us he fervently one day took a copy to give him. The infidel,

Psa. xlviii. 10: "According to thy name, O embodied in some visible person that his creatures prayed. God, so is thy praise unto the end of the earth." may, to some extent, comprehend his nature. Christ Psa. ciji, 2. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and is this embodied Deity, the exact image visible of the ever-blessed, invisible Jehovah ; and therefore he must be very God, and not a creature. And yet he bears an important relation to all creatures, that of he did not reserve those Thursday evenings to him- Pray. pre-eminence over them all as their King and Lord. | self, nor has he ever thus appropriated them. Dan. ii. 44 : " And in the days of these kings As the first-born son was the ruler and prince of the The lessons taught by this touching history shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which family, so that very term first-born came in time to were briefly and forcibly pressed upon the attention signify Governor and Lord. So Christ is pronounced of us all by the brother who followed the leader, Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven : to be not only the image, the outshining of Deity, but both in prayer and remarks. And then, with Psa. xl. 8 : "I delight to do thy will, O my the President of all created things-the "First-born eyes moistened and our hearts tender, we then sang the Christian doxology to the solemn strains of of every creature."

"It is thirty-three years to-night," he said, honored, and found that his way proved a hard "since this weekly meeting was first established way. And it must ever be so. He who dares heart was well-nigh broken by his evil ways. Christian parent, remember this when you are choosing a place for your son whose habits for life are forming. Avoid, as you would the spotted hand of pestilence, the man whose words are hand of pestilence, the man whose words are it. Several of the subjects of that revival lived in and warning, and the experience of the past, and poisoned by an infidel heart. No worldly advan- a part of the parish three miles distant from our the testimony of the wise and good. He likewise exchange, happily illustrates the importance of tage can make up for such hourly influence. house of worship. It was in that remote neighbor- does violence to the highest and best instincts of comparing Scripture with Scripture, and shows "What shall it profit a man to gain the whole hood, and in a farmer's kitchen, that the meeting his own being, perverts the power of his soul, and world, and lose his own soal?"-New York was first held; and there were just thirty persons works all unrighteousness with greediness. What-Chronicle. vivor; the two or three exceptions, if living, are the seed of unbelief and vice must produce a now here. And-I say it not to boast, but only harvest of misery and death. Thus woe starcs to show the goodness of God to me-I have not the transgressor in the face, just so long as he is a How strange that Christ should be depreciated in once been absent from these meetings since that transgressor and though his way may seem pleasant

"When I remember my numerous causes for gratitude, and my frequent resolutions to be more wholly the Lord's, and then contrast with these my failures and deficiencies, I feel constrained to strange to my young friends present, I must tell

"He is the image of the invisible Lord," cries them the truth, I feel my sinfulness more and

This brief summary came not from a man of

THE GOTTINGEN PROFESSOR.

THE BUSINESS MAN'S WORSHIP. In one of our large churches, perhaps the one in which you, my reader, are wont to sit, there sat, from Sabbath to Sabbath, a tradesman of respectable position in life. He came as many others come; he went as many others may go. For

Peter.

some fourteen years he was "a constant hearer;" so the officials said. This man was sick, and was in view of death, when a minister called to see him, and carefully nquired into his state of mind. He was unconverted ; and, more than this, he was dark. When arged to seek for pardon, he expressed great surprise. He did not know that it was possible. "Not know that it is possible! Have you not

attended ----- church ?" "Yes," was the reply; "but I do not know that I ever heard a sermon.

sermon ?" How can that be ?" "Why," said he, "the truth is this; as soon as business; and I acquired such a habit of abstracall the work of the past week ; and having reviewed that, could lay all my plans for the week to come.

she thought they were from home? In her fright, and unused to measuring distances, she answered, 'Ten miles.' He asked if there were any wolves in that part. She said there were. At this the little fellow began to cry. They went on, hand in hand, a little further, when she, animated with a sudden courage, said to her brother, 'Now we will stop here and pray; for I've seen mother, when she was in any trouble, pray to God for help; and we will pray to God, and he'll send an angel to take care of us, or else he will send some one from home to fetch us back ; so don't ery now.' At this they both kneeled down, and the sister first confessed their sin of disobedience in not getting the cows the first time, and then prayed to God. When they arose she comforted her little brother, and assured him that God would take care of them. Presently a voice from behind in the dark called them. It was the well known

"What do you mean ? You have regularly voice of the father. 'There,' said the sister, 'I sat there for some fourteen years, and not heard a A Tract Visitor became acquainted with a pions told you that God would send some one to take woman, whose husband was an infidel, and oftencare of us.' The father had, indeed, sent them times outrageous in his opposition to religious back as a correction, but had followed unobserved the preacher took his text, I began to think of my the distance, and had approached at length The visitor, uniting her prayers with those of near enough to ever hear this last conversation and the believing wife, as she had opportunity sought tion that, while the preacher was preaching I prayer." Here are simple prayer and faith as could trace out on the panel of the seat before me in the wisest and mildest way, to turn the mistruly exercised and as acceptable to God as the guided man from his course of folly and sin. faith of Abraham. Sorrow for sin, contrition, She, as may be supposed, was very anxious that he should read the Bible for himself, and repentance, confession, gratitude, praise and what-And the consequence is, that I do not know that soever belongs to prayer and worship, are as easily I ever heard a sermon. comprehended by the child as a simple petitior . in the most decided tone and manner, said he The analogies of these devout exercises are found. HOW TO BE SAVED. would certainly burn the book if she left it; but in the social relations. What the child does You ask, how am I to become a child of God, religiously toward God is but a spiritual and remembering the fervent prayers of the pious wife, and be saved? The answer is plain -- "Ye are all sanctified direction of the faculties in a class of and her anxiety for the success of the effort, conclu- the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus." actions which it early learns to perform in the his early manhood he gave himself to the Lord, ded to leave the precious volume, and retired to (Gal. iii. 26.) "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ social and moral relations to the parent and and thou shalt be saved, and thy honse" (Acts family .- Hibbard's Religion of Childhood. xvi. 31.) "As many as received him (Christ) to them gave he power to become the sons of God, A correspondent of the Baltimore Advocate even to them which believe on his name, which says: "A young lady once presented me with a were born," &c. (John i. 12, 13.) You are a book-mark, having the inscription "God bless sinner; Christ came into the world to save sinners ; you," and exacted the promise that it should be God offers him to you as a Saviour ; believe this, placed in my Bible, but never to remain a day opand rest all your salvation on him, and you are saved. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that posite the same chapter. Faithful to my promise I took it home, and rubbing from the lids of my heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent Bible the dust of a week, I placed it in the first me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life" chapter of Matthew, and daily read a chapter and to be so apposite, that infidelity itself could not (John v. 24.) How, then, are you to pass from changed its place. I had not read long before I bedeath unto life? By believing on Jesus. There came interested as I had never been before in this The words he made out were: "Heaven and is no other way under heaven. good Book; and I saw in its truths that I was a came to Gottingen, in the Kingdom of Hanover, earth shall pass away, but my word shall not __ I knew a young man who, like you, intended sinner, and must repent if I would be saved. I where is one of the most celebrated universities of pass away." "But know thou, that for all these to trust his soul to Jesus some time, but ever put then promised God that I would seek his face at the earliest opportunity, and if he saw fit to cor it off time after time, One night God's Spirit ors, eminent by their meritorious exertions in the The Spirit of the Lord sent home to his heart enabled him to resolve that he would put it off no vert my soul, that I would spend my life in his longer. He had been thinking much during the cause ; it came ; I sought his face and received all in the most friendly manner; but by one, in words, and of his awful heaven-daring impiety, day of John iii. 16 : "God so loved the world." the smiles of his love, and now I have a hope particular, who afforded them some of the most that we think Belshazzar himself scarcely felt He lay down on his bed, but it was not to sleep. within me "big with immortality;" and all do I delightful hours which they enjoyed on the tour. more horror when he saw the mysterious hand- He praved God to give his Spirit, and the Lord attribute to that book-mark and the grace of God. This friendly reception was the more agreeable writing upon the wall, presaging his doom. His heard his prayer. For hours he lay awake, his And this was the beginning of a revival at S-. mind calm, his thoughts clear, his heart fixed. Many sought his face and found it ; and the flame He saw as he had never seen before that God had kindled there spread over the entire circuit, and really "so loved the world that he gave his onlyscores were brought into the church of God. begotten Son" to die in the room of sinners ; that " Despise not the day of small things." A word Christ had suffered enough, atoned enough, for spoken in season, a simple Christian act, a sincere, his sins; and that now, "whosoever believeth in simple prayer, may turn a poor wandering sinner him should not perish but have everlasting life." from "the error of his ways. He simply believed this; saw that his name was whosoever ; and that God was in earnest in his in his little room one Sunday afternoon. His MEMORABLE DATES .- An old man was sitting offer. His heart accepted it; and that moment a Bible lay before him, opened at the blank sheets joy he had never known before filled his soul. before the title-page, on which were written some He started up from his bed. Could this be con- dates of days and years. He was so absorbed in version ?--- so simple a thing as believing God's the contemplation of these that he did not notice offer of Christ, and taking him at his word ? Yes, the entrance of a neighbor, who asked him what he whispered God's Spirit. He knelt down at the could find to read with such interest, where ho edside; thanked God for his Son; committed saw only a few dates! The old man replied : himself to the Lord Jesus; and resolved, if God " Neighbor, could you but know what these dates spared him; that he would believe himself to be stand for, you would not be any longer surprised." a Christian, and look to Jesus to enable him to These were the dates of all the principal occuract like one. Ever since, he has considered that rences of the old man's life. He pointed with his night to be the night of his conversion. And why, my reader, should not this day be of my birth, of my baptism, of my enlisting, my finger to one after the other. "Here is the date the day of your conversion? Why should you marriage," and so on till at last he came to the not believe the record which God has given of his date of the day when the Lord had effectually Son, and cast yourself as a helpless child into the called him, and since which he had known himself arms of Christ ? Theu would there be joy in the to be the child of God, and inheritor of the kingpresence of the angels of God over you; and if dom of heaven. And then he exclaimed, "O the this day was remarkable for nothing else, it would depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowbe the most remarkable day in all your history- ledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgthe day when you were born again. God grant ments, and his ways past finding out !" and sang that it may be so !- Monthly Messenger. with tears and in a trembling voice :

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Thy kingdom come :

Psa. xxii. 28: "For the kingdom is the Lord's, and he is governor among the nations." shall never be destroyed."

Psa. cxliii. 10; "Teach me to do thy will." Psa. lxxii. 19: "And blessed be his glorious name for ever; and let the whole earth be filled with his glory.'

Psa. Ixxiiii. 25 : "Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth I desire besides thee."

Psa. ciii. 20 : "Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word."

Give us this day our daily bread : Prov. xxx. 8: "Feed me with food convenient

for me." Psa, xxviii, 9: "Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance : feed them also, and lift them

up forever." Psa. cxxxvi. 25: "Who giveth food to all

And forgive us our debts ;

Ex. xxxiv. 9: " Pardon our iniquity and our

Num. xiv. 19 : " Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people." Psa. li. 9 : "Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.'

As we forgive our debtors ;

Gen. 1. 15, 17, 19, 20; "And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him. And Joseph said unto them, fear not : for am I in the place of God ? Verse 21: Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your left unsupported by a constant exercise of Omnipolittle ones."

any grudge against the children of thy people, guide and govern, no less than infinite power to upbut thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am hold creation and carry it forward in its destined the Lord."

I. Sam. xxvi. 9, 11, 21, 24.

And lead us not into temptation : Gen. xxi, 1: " And it came to pass, after these things, that God did tempt Abraham."

II. Sam. xxiv. 1 : " And again the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, go, number Israel and Judah.'

But deliver us from evil :

Psa, l. 15: " And call apon me in the day of trouble : I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Dan. iii. 17 : " Our God, whom we serve, is able

to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace." For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glary, far ever and ever. Amen.

I. Chron. xxix. 11: "Thine, O Lord, is the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the of grace for his people. thou art exalted as head over all.

And now the proof that Jesus Christ is not only -Am. Mess. the true God, but the actual Prince of all created things, is given in a series of propositions-camulative and demonstrative, it would seem, beyond cavil.

London, in the course of a tour through Germany, He must be God over all, "for" first "by him were all things created "-not in the lower sense of arranging pre-existing materials, but in the highest sense of creating out of nothing unnumbered worlds, and their more countless inhabitants. God alone creates, and as Christ is the author of all things in heaven and in earth, and even of those ranks of angels which were distinguished as "thrones, dominions,

principalities and powers," he can be none less than God.

Second, not only were all things made by him, but they were created "for him." As the end of Creation, for whose glory this universe sprang into existence, he can be none less than God. Creation is an outworking of his own benevolence; new worlds are as a place for his incarnation; Calvary was made to kind.

sustain a cross, a cross " for him !" It follows, third, if he is both Author and End of kinds of skulls, he left the room, but soon returned Creation, that he existed before all things, before time began, and therefore from eternity. None but God is eternal; he must be God.

Nor yet is the argument exhausted. "By him all things consist," subsist, are sustained in being. If tence, all created things would rush into disorder or Lev. xix. 18 : "Thou shalt not avenge, or bear sink back to nothing. Infinite wisdom is needed to in blindness made me so melancholy that I resolved

> true God, also belongs to our Saviour. But do not these evidences of the Divine nature and

attributes of Jesus Christ remove him far away from us, so that his sympathy and affection cannot stoop of these from the common ones, I took up one so low as to reach poor, sinning, suffering humanity ? No, verily- and here lies another proof of his dignity -" he is Head of the Church." That vastest organization which ever existed amongst men, its beginning | read Isaiah vhi. 16 : "And I will bring the blind | with the first of the race, its numbers accumulating by a way they knew not; I will lead them in with every succeeding generation down the sweep of time, in the latter days of our existence as a race darkness light before them and crooked things comprising all the family, a company which no man forsake them." can number,-that Church owns him as its Head, the Author of its life, and the First-born, the Chief

and Prince of all who have died and rose, and who, tears ran down his cheeks. "With a cheerful now and forever, will live. As Head of the Church heart," he continued, "I now journeyed back to greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the he stands pre-eminent, and in him dwells all fullness Gottingen, and my greatest desire was to possess put it off any more till to-morrow. To-day is the

earth is thine ; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and And then, as a crowning dignity, the Apostle adds page and in the same place. Shortly afterwards morrow. I was visited by a friend residing in London, to Reader! if you have any duty to do, don't put that Christ is become the Restorer of harmony in a universe deranged by sin. " It pleased God to reconcile all things in earth and heaven to him by the wish, and immediately received his promise to send will be done. - Congregationalist. me one as soon as possible, which he did." blood of his cross." This Bible was the greatest curiosity which he

the visitor, thinking it only a furious threat, and large leisure and easy pursuits, but from one always and still burdened with the cares of a pressing business and a mumerous family. But when in

The visitor had hardly left the room-the wife also stepping out for a minute-when the man thrust the Bible hastily into the fire, and watched its rapid destruction by the flames; very soon nothing remained but the cover, and a few bits of the leaves; some of the fragments were whirled out of the fire, by a current of air, and fell upon the hearth : these he gathered up and Old Hundred, and thus closed our prayer-meeting. put back again, but casting his eye over the pieces he saw a few lines still legible, which some impulse prompted him to read, and which were found

THE BIBLE ON FIRE.

In the summer of 1824 two gentlemen from deny the hand and voice of God. that country. They there visited several profess- things, God will bring thee into judgment."

promotion of learning. They were received by immediately such a conviction of the truth of these to them, as the high reputation this professor en- soul was in terror; he besought his wife to pray joyed throughout the whole of Europe had in- for him, and accompanied her to the house of God spired them with the earnest desire of seeing him to ask the pravers of Christians on his behalf; he face to face. He had belonged to the University felt his sin too great to be forgiven; but he whose of Gottingen for more than forty years, gave lec. mercy endureth forever at length spoke the word tures at that time, especially on natural history, of pardon and peace, through the impartation of and possessed an interesting collection of natural faith in Christ Jesus our Lord; and he gladly mere theatres where his glory shall appear, and for curiosities; but what most claimed attention, was joined himself to the company of disciples he had this he called them into being. This earth was created his collection of skulls, which was unique in its once despised, and is now an humble witness for the blessed gospel he once destroyed. Having directed their attention to the various

with a Bible under his arm, and a countenance as We sometimes wonder if procrastination does grave as it had before been mirthful, and addressed not work more harm in religious matters than in them in nearly the following words : "You must now," said he " allow me to relate an extraordinary any other ; because the tendency to delay has occurrence to you. Some years ago I was in great greater scope in its affairs than in almost any others. It is certainly true that in nothing else is danger of losing my sight, which had become so

You mean to speak to a friend about his soul. The prospect of passing the last days of my life You have it on your mind to do it; but you are waiting for a convenient season. It is hard to to make a tour to Bremen to recover my spirits. find him alone, and awkward to do it before com-On this tour I came to Hanover, where some course. This office, which can only be filled by the friends took me into the Duke of Cambridge's pany. You have found him alone once or twice, but somehow he seemed especially eager to talk library, and showed me some Bibles, lately sent by the Bible Society of London, as a present to about something else, or your courage failed. the Duke. Wishing to try whether I, in my Take care of this delay. If this is a duty you blindness, could distinguish the paper and print owe to him, do it now. To put it off is not safe for him, for he may die in his sin; he is surely merely for this purpose, without the least intention day by day growing harder in it; and it not safe of selecting any particular passage; and now see for you, for you may lose your opportunity, and what I read !" He here opened the Bible and have to account to God for a duty unperformed. You mean to repent, yourself. You have long been intending to. Your attention has been repaths that they have not known; I will make peatedly called to the subject, and you now fully intend to do so soon. But the day never comes. straight. These things will I do unto them and not It is always "to-morrow, and to-morrow." A more convenient season flits its phantom be-

"I read this verse, and received my sight," fore you, and keeps your salvation always at At these words he was so much affected that the arm's length. Take care! It is not safe. God frowns. Death approaches. Christ grieves. The Holy Spirit mourns, and may withdraw. Do not a Bible in which this verse stood on the same accepted time. To-day he will hear, not to-

"Could I a thousand voices raise, A thousand tongues employ, My heart would pour itself in praise, In thankfulness and joy. And still its happy song should be, Hear what the Lord has done for me.

SMALL STONES NEEDED .- The living stones of lessons, but in daily and lifelike examples. Mrs. which the Church of Christ is constructed are not Judson, in one of her familiar letters, gives the necessarily of the same size, nor are they employfollowing account of her little son : " While we ed to edify the same parts of the building. Did resided at Rangoon," says she, "the children you never see a country house built of stones of became great cowards, and when we came over sizes and shapes, from the rock to the pebble, [at Maulmain] I was obliged to take great pains round, square, long, short, all chinked and plasto break it. One night Edward, who slept in a tered in together, and forming a warm, substantial whom I related the occurrence, and expressed my will be done - Congregationalist little room by himself, called out that he was building? Just so it is with the members of a never taught them a prayer to repeat, because I and go a great deal further toward making up the do not like the formality, but I assist them in dis- great structure ; but they would look very woe-As LITTLE CHILDREN .- " Except ye be con- covering what they need, and then have them begone if the little ones should rebel, and convorted, and become as little children, ye shall not repeat the words after me; so I prayed with little clude they were of no use, and drop out. The enter into the kingdom of Heaven." This is one Edward, kissed him good night, and left him ap- stones in the heavenly temple are all living stones, of those emphatic, commencing with a "Verily 1 parently satisfied. Pretty soon, however, I heard but not all great ones.

.... THE FAITH OF LITTLE CHILDREN.

The faith of little children in prayer is illustrated to the observation of every mother in every household where religion is made a primary concern in the education, not merely in formal

DO IT NOW.

bad that I could scarcely distinguish any thing. procrastination so dangerous as here.

WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT?

When a son is about to leave the paternal roof to enter a new situation, how prone are even the image of God, the Prince of Creation, its Author Christian parents to choose for him a position mainly according to the world!y advantage. If two openings occur, one with a rich, irreligious the Church, and the Reconciler of earth and heaven ! man, where a few dollars more wages will be given,

Yet, Christian parent, you might better send + your son into a burning flame, than to place him in daily contact with a man of infidel views, to whom, as his employer, he will naturally look up. in his store when he was quite young, and he those with whom I am accustomed to meet.

What a glorious being is our Redeemer, Christhad.-Scottish Christian Herald. and End, the Sustainer of the Universe, the Head of We should reverence him as God, bow to him as and the other with a humble Christian, whose Sovereign, love him as Redeemer, and cling to him with the experience of common life, and verify It is simple, but full of meaning. We often hear ance with language to know what to say next; but straits; but, like the patriarch, they can put God

OUR PRAYER-MEETING.

Be sure he will be far more assiduous in instilling when at home, than our weekly prayer-meeting. bis principles, than you have been in instilling It always seems to me like "a family gathering; good, "The children of this world are wiser in and I there realize the sweetness of the fraternal their generation than the children of light." tie which binds Christians together more than "Mr. 11. was the ruin of my Tom," said a sor- anywhere else except at the communior. table. cando so in the case of the determined transgressor. become as a little child's heart, which is unlearned remind me of asking 'Dod to tate tare of him,' if thet his means a little child's heart, which is unlearned remind me of asking 'Dod to tate tare of him,' if rowing mother to me one day. "He was placed But I do not always feel thus when away from His way is hard, not only in the bitterness and in suspicion, deceit and envy; which knows I neglect, and I have never heard him say a word that his people cling most closely to him for

telked a great deal with him about religion, and Last week I accompanied the friends I was lessness and despair of the child is just what it seems to be, inthe absurdity of believing such a book as the visiting in another state to their Thursday evening proves it; the wretchedness and suffering around nocent, true, frank and candid—hoping, trusting, lady: "In a town of the far West a farmer sent "PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOUR OF Gon" (Eph. Ob, if these early forming years had only been on the meeting.

------THE WAY OF THE TRANSGRESSOR.

sorrow of the present, but in the blank hope- nothing of hatred, malice and jealousy. The since of being afraid."

say unto you," expressions, which fell from the him call out, as though in great distress, 'O Dod !" "I WILL SURELY DO THEE GOOD" (Gen. XXXII.

The declarations of Scripture all correspond lips of Him, who "Spake as man never spake." The poor little fellow had not sufficient acquaint-12).—The people of God, like Jacob, are often in realization of what had already been written. We elements of the "kingdom of Heaven." It must his knees fast asteep. He never fails now to

Bible. He lent him infidel books, and they meeting. The night was dark and stormy; there finished the work " Dir ok the whole according to the meeting. The night was dark and stormy; there is show it; the grated and barred doors of jails loving and believing. It is not full of unbelief the work " Dir ok the whole according to the meeting. The night was dark and stormy; there is show it; the grated and barred doors of jails loving and believing. It is not full of unbelief the cover finished the work." Poor boy, he has drifted were but eighteen persons present, and of these and prisons are evidences of it; the madness that and doubt, it knows nothing of suspicion and fear. ther after the cows. The sun was shedding his have not yet learned that they will have to stand Oh, heart of childhood, how true, how quick. quite away from a mother's influence, and has just fifteen were temales. One of the brethren declined nerves a suicidal hand betokens it; every sigh ob, heart of childhood, how true, how quick, clear beams over the landscape, and though near in "an evil day," and are living in theory, have come home from the war with his wounded leg to take part in the exercises, and the remaining and wail of sorrow and pain reiterates the fact that does every pulse of thy gushing blood throb? the close of day, the birds and the flowers were still not "put on the whole armour." When living and wail of sorrow and pain reiterates the fact that lowers were still not "put on the whole armour." When living and crutch, a most shockingly profane scoffer. Ob, if these early forming years had only been on the meeting. Under the influence of night fall on the meeting. Innocent, loving, hoping, believing without cari-one, who had held a prominent place in society; under the influence of a warm-hearted Christian. Under the circumstances, I did not anticipate of what the "Bible does warmed them home without time to get the cows. need of the panoply. For instance, if we pray employer, how different might the result have a good meeting; but I was happily disappointed. In its simplicity, to been who was marked as a brinnant wheel and a ratio a discipline to them, sent them searching the Word, or search the Word with-The brother who took the lead had expected the ness and honor, died in wretchedness and want; confound the philosopher, and put to confusion back. They returned, but had not gone far, out prayer, guidance cannot be expected, for Of twenty young men who were engaged in the pastor would be present, and made no special died with none to close his eyes but an outcast; the babbler. Oh, heart of childhood! How before gray twilight cast its darkening shadows Christ said. "If my words abide in you, ye shall service of the skeptic, not one left his roof with-out having his faith shaken if not make the shaken if not make out having his faith shaken, if not wholly under-mined, so untiringly did he labor to implant evil me tonching and instructive.

capital is smaller, is not the choice very likely to as our Elder Brother and sympathizing Friend. - themselves in the conduct of men. Whether they persons say, "I cannot understand what the this uplifting of the heart evidently relieved him, in mind that his promise came with a "surely;" are doubted and denied, or made matters of Saviour meant, what He wished to convey?" for in a few minutes after he again called out, 'O in mind that his promise came with a "survey," their faith can rest on God's veracity. David implicit faith ; whether they are trampled upon in Why. He meant just what He said, "Except ye Dod,' but in a tone much softened. I stepped to could say, "Surely goodness and mercy shall proud derision or adopted as an unerring rule of become as little children," there is no fitness, no the door, but hesitated about entering. In a few follow me." It not unfrequently happens that morality-they ever stand as God's record and adaptedness to the pure, simple, innocent and true minutes he again repeated, 'O Dod,' but in a cloudy days quickly follow a Bethel inferview with There is hardly any thing which I enjoy more, estimate of human actions, and their consequences. atmosphere and felicity of "the kingdom of back to my room and leave him with the grout God; but we should not let them hinder our be-Sometimes we can trace step by step the corres- Heaven." The unwatched, uncon- back to my room, and leave him with the great lieving that he will perform his promise, -nay, pondence to which reference has been made, and verted heart, becomes " Deceitful above all things Protector. I heard no more of him for some the dark day may be the means of its fulfilment. in the career of some unhappy mortal find the and desperately wicked," not at all suited to the big knows first achieve the new to big knows to be the new to big knows first achieve the new to big knows to be the new to guidance. Turn, then, from the dark providence, to the clear promise-cling to his "surely."