# Pilgrim's Progress John Bunyan

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Christian's Countenance	
Christian's Response to Conscience	
Christian Meets Evangelist	
Christian's Flight	
Christian & Fright	
Christian is pursued by Obstinate and Pliable 8	}
Resolved and reasoned to fetch him back by force	,
Christian's resolve to continue on	
Obstinate and Pliable invited to join Christian	
Obstinate and Fhable invited to John Christian	
Christian and Pliable converse along the way	)
Truth of words of the Book	
Gifts freely bestowed	
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They heedlessly stumble into Slough	
Help assists Christian	
Help describes Slough of Despond	
Fate of Pliable	
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As they were crossing the way from each other	
From the Town of Carnal-Policy	
Christian's situation known from Town-Talk	
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Christian advised to seek after Legality in Village of Morality	
Christian stopped by overhang of Hill (Mount Sinai)	
Evangelist's rebuke and admonishment	
Christian undone	
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#### I. Christian flees from the <u>City of Destruction</u>

# A. Description

- 1. Clothed in rags
  - a. [Isaiah 64.6]-But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.
- 2. Facing from home
  - a. [Luke 14.33]- So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.
- 3. Book in hand
  - a. [Habakkuk 2.2]- And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.
- 4. Burden on back
  - a. [Psalm 38.4]- For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.

#### B. Countenance

- 1. Lamentable cry
  - a. [Acts 16.29-30]- Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
  - b. [Acts 2.37]- Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?
- 2. Concern for wife and family over destruction of city.
- 3. Knew of no way for escape.

#### C. Response

- 1. Pray for and pity family and his own consoling
- 2. Walking solitary
- 3. Reading
- 4. Cried out, "What shall I do to be saved?"
  - a. [Acts 16.30-31]- And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

#### D. Meeting **Evangelist**.

- 1. The Book
  - a. Not willing to be condemned to die.
    - 1.) [Job 16.21-22]- O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for his neighbour! When a few years are come, then I shall go the way whence I shall not return.
  - b. Not able to come to Judgement.
    - 1.) [Hebrews 9.27]- And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

2.) [Ezekiel 22.14]- Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee? I the Lord have spoken it, and will do it.

#### 2. The Burden

- a. Sink lower in grave.
- b. Fall into Tophet.
  - 1.) [Isaiah 30.33]- For Tophet is ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much wood; the breath of the Lord, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle it.

# 3. **Evangelist** response

- a. Gave him a parchment roll.
- b. "Fly from the wrath to come."
  - 1.) [Matthew 3.7]- But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
- c. "See yonder Wicket Gate?" "Do you see yonder Shining Light?"
  - 1.) [Matthew 7.13-14]- Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
  - 2.) [Psalm 119.105]-Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
  - 3.) [2 Peter 1.19]- We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

# E. Christian's flight

- 1. "Life! Life! Eternal Life!"
  - a. [Genesis 19.17]- And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.
- 2. Wife, and children cried for his return.
  - a. [Luke 14.26]- If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.
- 3. Neighbors mocked, threatened and cried for his return.
  - a. [Jeremiah 20.10]- And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

# II. <u>Christian</u> is pursued by <u>Obstinate</u> and <u>Pliable</u>.

- A. Resolved and reasoned to fetch him back by force.
- B. <u>Christian's</u> resolve to continuing on

- 1. Fate of the city and neighbors
- 2. [2 Corinthians 4.18]- While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

# C. Obstinate and Pliable invited to join Christian

- 1. All forsaken not worthy to be compared
  - a. [Romans 8.18]- For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
- 2. Seeking an inheritance
  - a. Incorruptible
  - b. Undefiled
  - c. Fadeth not away
  - d. [1 Peter 1.4]- To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,
- 3. Inheritance safely bestowed in heaven
  - a. [Hebrews 11.16]-But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.
- 4. **Obstinate's** refusal to read the Book and **Christian's** refusal to return to the city
  - a. [Luke 9.62]-And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.
- 5. <u>Pliable's</u> defense of <u>Christian</u> and rebuke of <u>Obstinate</u>.
- 6. Pliable invited to read from the Book-all confirmed by the Blood of He who wrote it.
  - a. [Hebrews 9.17-21]- For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth. Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood. For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.
- 7. **Obstinate's** final refusal and return home.
- III. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Pliable</u> converse along the way.
  - A. Truth of words of the Book-God's unspeakable things.
    - 1. Book made by Him Who cannot lie.
      - a. [Titus 1.2]- In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
    - 2. Endless kingdom.
      - a. [Isaiah 45.17]- But Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

# 3. Everlasting life.

a. [John 10.27-29]- My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

# 4. Crowns of Glory

a. [2 Timothy 4.8]- Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

# 5. Shining gowns

- a. [Revelation 22.5] And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.
- b. [Matthew 13.43]-Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- 6. No crying or sorrow.
  - a. [Isaiah 15.8]- For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the howling thereof unto Eglaim, and the howling thereof unto Beerelim.
  - b. [Revelation 7.16-17]- They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.
  - c. [Revelation 21.4]-And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
- 7. Company of seraphim and cherubim.
  - a. [Isaiah 6.2]- Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- 8. Company of thousands and tens of thousands gone before.
  - a. [1 Thessalonians 4.16-17]- For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

# 9. Elders

- a. [Revelation 5.11]- And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;
- b. [Revelation 4.4]-And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

# 10. Holy virgins

- a. [Revelation 14.1-5]- And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.
- 11. Martyrs for love of the Lord clothed in immortality
  - a. [John 12.25]- He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.
  - b. [2 Corinthians 5.2-3, 5]- For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.

# B. Gifts freely bestowed

- 1. [Isaiah 55.12]- For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
- 2. [John 7.37]- In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.
- 3. [John 6.37]-All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.
- 4. [Revelation 21.6]- And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
- 5. [Revelation 22.17]- And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

#### IV. Christian and Pliable confront the Slough of Despond

- A. They heedlessly stumble into Slough
  - 1. <u>Pliable</u> rails against <u>Christian</u> over Truth.
  - 2. <u>Pliable</u> struggles little, getting out of mire on side near home.
  - 3. Christian struggles alone toward side of the Wicket Gate.
  - 4. **Christian** struggles due to burden on his back.

## B. Help assists Christian

- 1. Asks of **Christian's** past
- 2. Fear of wrath caused Christian to stumble in and not see <u>Steps</u> (Promises) through <u>Slough of Despond.</u>
  - a. [Psalm 40.2]- He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

#### C. Help describes Slough of Despond

- 1. Cannot be mended
- 2. Scum and filth that attend conviction for sin
- 3. Awakened sinner
  - a. Arises fears
  - b. Arises doubts
  - c. Discouraging apprehensions

# 4. Unpleasant to the **King**

- a. [Isaiah 35.3-4]- Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; he will come and save you.
- b. His laborers and surveyors have patched.
- c. **Slough of Despond**had swallowed up millions of wholesome instructions.
- d. Use of the best material to no avail.
- 5. Good and substantial steps.
  - a. Promise of forgiveness
  - b. Promise of acceptance to life by faith in Christ.
  - c. [1 Samuel 12.23]- Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:

#### D. Fate of **Pliable**

- 1. Called wise for returning to **City of Destruction**
- 2. Called fool for hazarding himself with **Christian**.
- 3. Called cowardly for giving up after so few difficulties
- 4. At first sneaking and then confident and joining in deriding **Christian**

#### V. Christian encounters Mr. Worldly-Wiseman

- A. As they were crossing the way from each other.
- B. From the Town of **Carnal-Policy**.
- C. Christian's situation known from Town-Talk.
  - 1. Mr. Worldly-Wiseman acknowledges Christian's burdened manner.
  - 2. Mr. Worldly-Wiseman acknowledges Christian's wife and family.
- **D.** Mr. Worldly-Wiseman admonishes Christian for heeding Evangelist and his counsel.
- **E.** The Sough of Despond-the beginning of sorrows.
  - 1. Wearisomeness

- 2. Painfulness
- 3. Hunger
- 4. Perils
- 5. Nakedness
- 6. Sword
- 7. Darkness
- 8. Death

#### VI. Christian seeks after the Town of Morality

- A. Worldly-Wiseman addresses burden more terrible than perils
  - 1. Burden from reading **Book**
  - 2. Weak men meddling with things too high for them
  - 3. Seek ease, safety, friendship, and contentment.
- B. <u>Christian</u> advised to seek after <u>Legality</u> in <u>Village of Morality</u>.
  - 1. <u>Legality</u> and son <u>Civility</u> can remove burden
  - 2. Send for wife and family to live in **City of Morality**.
- C. <u>Christian</u> stopped by overhang of Hill (Mount Sinai).
  - 1. [Exodus 19.16]- And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled.
  - 2. [Hebrews 12.18-21]- For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest, And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more: (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart: And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)
- D. **Evangelist's** rebuke and admonishment.
  - 1. Christian confesses falling into Slough of Despond
  - 2. Christian confesses heeding counsel of Mr. Worldly Wiseman
  - 3. **Evangelist** shows **Christian** the Words of God
    - a. Not escaping by refusing him that speaks on earth, much more won't escaping if we turn from Him that speaks from Heaven
      - 1.) [Hebrews 12.25]- See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:
    - b. Live by faith
    - c. Don't draw back

- 1.) [Hebrews 10.38]- Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.
- d. 'Thou art the man.'
  - 1. [2 Samuel 12.7]- And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;

# E. Christian undone

- 1. All manner of sin and blaspheming shall be forgiven
- 2. Be not faithless but believing
- 3. Errors of Mr. Worldly-Wiseman-loves doctrine over the Cross
  - a. [1 John 4.5]- They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.
  - b. [Galatians 6.12]- As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.
  - c. Turning thee out of the Way-Strive to enter the Strait Gate.
    - 1.) [Luke 13.24]- Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.
    - 2.) [Matthew 7.13-14]- Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
  - d. Laboring to make the Cross odious
    - 1.) [Mark 8:35]-For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.
    - 2.) [John 12.25]-He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.
    - 3.) [Matthew 10.39]- He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.
    - 4.) [Luke 14.26]- If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.
  - e. Setting feet in the way of Death.
    - 1.) **Legality** a son of a bondswoman and in bondage.
      - a.) [Galatians 4.21-27]- Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

- f. Mr. Worldly-Wiseman is an alien and Legality a cheat.
- 4. Confirmed by Words and Fire out of the Mountain
  - a. [Galatians 3.10]- For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

# VII. <u>Christian</u> arrives at the <u>Wicket-gate</u>.

- A. Yet may still be happy though committed two sins.
  - 1. For sook the way that is good.
  - 2. Tread in forbidden paths.
- B. Man at the Wicket Gate yet will receive men out of goodwill.
  - 1. Heed not to turn out of the way again.
  - 2. [Psalm 2.12]- Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

#### C. At the Wicket Gate

- 1. Knock and it shall be opened unto you.
  - a. [Matthew 7.8]- For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- 2. Greeted by **Goodwill**
- 3. Gate opened to broken hearted sinners.
- 4. **Beelzebub's** fiery darts
- D. Christian and Goodwill's discourse.
  - 1. Past travels
  - 2. Confession of sin in going the way of Death.
    - a. [John 6.37]- All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.
  - 3. Right way is straight and narrow but wrong way is crooked and broad.
    - a. [Matthew 7.14]- Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
  - 4. Bear burden until you come to the place of Deliverance.
  - 5. Directed to **Interpreter's** House

# VIII. <u>Christian</u> is instructed at the house of the <u>Interpreter</u>

- A. Introduction
- B. The portrait of the godly pastor.

- 1. Grave person
- 2. Eyes to Heaven
- Best of Books in hand
- 4. Law of Truth written on his lips
- 5. World behind his back
- 6. Pleading with men
- 7. Crown of gold hanging over head
- 8. To know and unfold dark things to Sinners
- 9. Slighting and despising the things that are present.
- C. The Large Dusty Parlor-The distinction between the law and the gospel
  - 1. Parlor-the heart of man unsanctified by the Gospel.
  - 2. Sweeping-the Law.
  - 3. Dust-original sin and inward corruption.
  - 4. Damsel sprinkling water-Gospel
    - a. [Romans 7.6]- But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.
    - b. [1 Corinthians 15.56]-The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.
    - c. [Romans 5.20]- Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:
    - d. [John 15.3]- Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
    - e. [Ephesians 5.26]- That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
    - f. [Acts 15.9]- And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.
  - 5. Room cleansed with pleasure.
    - a. [Romans 16.25-26]- Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:
    - b. [1 John 5.13]- These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.
- D. **Patience** and **Passion**-The virtue of patience contrasted with passion.
  - 1. Must wait for better things.
  - 2. **Passion**-men of the world.
  - 3. Patience-men of That Which is to Come.
    - a. Best wisdom

- 1.) Stays for the best things.
- 2.) **Patience** will have Glory and **Passion** will have rags.
- 3.) Glory of next world will never wear out.
- 4.) Lazarus and rich man.
  - a.) [Luke 16.25]- But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.
- 5.) [2 Corinthians 4.18]- While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.
- E. Wall of Fire, Oil and Water-The Grace of Christ conquers the assailed heart.
  - 1. Fire-Grace wrought in the heart.
  - 2. Water-work of the Devil.
  - 3. Man with vessel of Oil-Christ maintaining the work already done in the heart.
    - a. [2 Corinthians 12.9]- And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
- F. The Stately Palace-The Persevering Valiant Pilgrim
  - 1. The Company of Men
  - 2. Man with Roll.
  - 3. Guards in Armor.
  - 4. **The Valiant Man** with sword and helmet.
    - a. Pressed forward into Palace
    - b. "Eternal Glory thou shalt win."
- G. The despairing reprobate in the Iron Cage
  - 1. "I am what I was not once."
    - a. A fair and flourishing professor in own eyes and others.
    - b. Fair for the Celestial City
    - c. Joy at thoughts of arriving at Celestial City.
    - d. [Luke 8.13]- They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.
  - 2. How Man in Despair came to condition.
    - a. Left off to watch and be sober.
    - b. Laid reins on neck of lusts.
    - c. Sinned against Light of the Word and Goodness of God.
    - d. Grieved the Spirit and He has gone.

- e. Tempted the Devil and he has come.
- f. Provoked God to anger and He has left.
- g. Hardened heart and cannot repent.
- 3. **Man in Despair** without hope.
  - a. Crucified the Son afresh unto himself.
    - 1.) [Hebrews 6.6]- If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.
  - b. Despised His Person and His Righteousness
    - 1.) [Luke 19.14]- But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us.
  - c. Counts His Blood as an unholy thing.
    - 1.) [Hebrews 10.28-29]- But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us. Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?
  - d. Had done despite (contemptuous treatment or behavior) to the Spirit of Grace.
  - e. Shut himself out of all promises so that he only had dreadful threatening.
    - 2.) Certain judgment
    - 3.) Fiery indignation
    - 4.) Shall devour as adversary.
- 4. Brought them by lusts, pleasures and profit of the world.
  - a. Enjoyment and promise of delight.
  - b. Bites and gnaws like a burning worm.
- 5. Man's eternal misery.
  - a. Denied repentance
  - b. The Word no encouragement to believe.
  - c. Shut up in Iron Cage.
  - d. None can let him out.
  - e. Misery met in Eternity.
- H. The warning of the final Day of Judgment
  - 1. Man waking from dream trembling
    - a. Heavens grew black
    - b. Great thunder and lightning
    - c. Clouds rake

- d. Sound of Trumpets
- e. Man sitting on cloud attended with thousands in Heaven.
- f. Heavens in a burning flame.
- g. Voice calling, "Arise ye dead and come to Judgment."
  - 1.) [1 Corinthians 15.52]- In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
  - 2.) [1 Thessalonians 4.15-17]- For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- h. Man opened Book and bid the World draw near to Him as to a bar before the Judge with a fierce flame to separate them.
  - 1.) [Jude 15]- To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.
  - 2.) [John 5.28]- Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,
  - 3.) [2 Thessalonians 1.8]- In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
  - 4.) [Revelation 20.11-14]- And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
  - 5.) [Isaiah 26.21]- For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.
  - 6.) [Micah 7.16-17]- The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf. They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.
  - 7.) [Psalms 5.1-3]- Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation. Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray. My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.
  - 8.) [Daniel 10.7]- And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.
  - 9.) [Malachi 3.2-3]- But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap: And he shall sit as a refiner

- and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.
- 10.)[Daniel 7.9-10]- I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.
- i. Bottomless Pit and Burning Lake opened for tares chaff and stubble.
- j. Wheat gathered to the garner.
  - 1.) [Matthew 3.12]- Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.
  - 2.) [Matthew 13.30]- Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.
  - 3.) [Malachi 4.1]- For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.
- k. Trembling Man left behind but still under Eye of the Man on the cloud
- 1. <u>Trembling Man</u> sins came into his mind and conscience accused him on every side.
  - 1.) [Romans 2.14-15]- For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)
- I. The parting exhortation of **The Interpreter**.
  - a. Christian's hope and fear.
  - b. "Keep these in mind as a goad to sides to prick thee forward in the Way."
  - c. "Comforter be always with thee"

#### IX. Christian arrives at the Place of Deliverance

- A. Wall called **Salvation** on either side of highway
  - 1. [Isaiah 26.1]- In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.
- B. The Cross and the Sepulcher
- C. At the Cross, the Burden loosens and falls off Christian's back and rolls into the Sepulcher.
- D. "He has given me Rest by His Sorrow, and Life by His Death."
  - 1. [Zechariah 12.10]- And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

#### E. The **Three Shining Ones**.

- 1. "Peace be to thee, Thy Sins are forgiven."
  - a. [Mark 2.5]- When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.
- 2. Stripped of rags and given **Change of Raiment**.
  - a. [Zechariah 3.4]- And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.
- 3. <u>Mark</u> set on forehead and <u>Roll</u> given with a seal on it to be read and then given at the gates of Celestial City.
  - a. [Ephesians 1.13]- In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

# X. <u>Christian</u> overtakes <u>Simple</u>, <u>Sloth</u>, and <u>Presumption</u>.

- A. Fast asleep
  - 1. Like those that sleep at the top of a mast.
    - a. [Proverbs 23.34]- Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.
  - 2. Dead Sea under them.
  - 3. A Gulph that hath no bottom.
- B. Fetters on their heels.
  - 1. [1 Peter 5.8]- Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:
- C. Tried to wake and offer to help remove fetters.
- D. Their responses
  - 1. **Simple-** "I see no Danger."
  - 2. <u>Sloth</u>-"Yet a little more Sleep."
  - 3. **Presumption-** "Every tub must stand on his own bottom."

#### XI. <u>Christian</u> converses with <u>Formalist</u> and <u>Hypocrisy</u>.

- A. Entered tumbling over the Wall
- B. Born in land of Vain-Glory.
- C. Going for Praise to Mount Sion.
- D. Questioned their entrance not by the **Wicket-Gate**.

- 1. [John 10.1]- Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.
  - a. "Too far about and thus took short cut."
- 2. Will it not count as trespass against <u>Lord of the City</u> and violating His revealed Will?
  - **a.** They had Custom for and had Testimony that would witness it for a thousand years.
- 3. Will Practice stand a Trial at Law?
  - a. Custom admitted as a thing legal by an impartial Judge.
  - **b.** Once in the Way, what matter which way they get in?
- 4. Wherein <u>Christian's</u> condition better than their's.
  - a. <u>Christian</u> walks by Rule of Master and they walk by rule of their fancies.
  - b. They are counted Thieves already by the Lord of the Way and will not be found true men at the End of the Way.
  - c. They come in by themselves without His Direction and go out by themselves without His Mercy.
  - d. They answered for him to look to himself.
- 5. Formalist and Hypocrisy's final response
  - a. They ought not be concerned about doing Laws and Ordinances as Christian.
  - b. Only difference is his **Coat** given by neighbors to hide the shame of nakedness.
- 6. <u>Christian's</u> final response.
  - a. Laws and Ordinances will not save.
  - b. **Coat** given by **Lord of the City** taken as a token of kindness and identification once he arrives at city.
  - c. Mark on forehead fixed on day he lost his Burden.
  - d. Sealed Roll given for comfort and to give at gates of Celestial City.
  - e. All of these things doubt they want, as they didn't enter through the Wicket-Gate.
- XII. Christian ascends the Hill Difficulty
  - A. Drink from **Spring** for refreshment.
    - 1. [Isaiah 49. 10]- They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.
  - B. Two other ways around **Hill Difficulty**.
    - 2. Destruction
    - 3. Danger
    - 4. **Formalist** and **Hypocrisy** each took a path to their bad end.
  - C. Rest at the **Arbor**.
    - 1. Progressively difficult climb

- 2. Reading **Roll** for comfort.
- 3. Fell asleep
  - a. Lost **Roll**.
  - b. [Proverbs 6.6]- Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

# XIII. <u>Christian</u> is approached by <u>Timorous</u> and <u>Mistrust</u>

- A. Running in opposite direction
- B. They warned of coming upon more dangers.
- C. They saw **Lions** in the **Way**.
- D. "To go back, is nothing but Death; to go forward, is fear of Death and Life everlasting beyond it."-Christian
- E. Lost **Roll** needed for comfort.
  - 1. Asked God for forgiveness.
    - a. [Revelation 2.5]- Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.
  - 2. Sighs, weeps and feels foolish.
    - a. [1 Thessalonians 5.7-8]- For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.
  - 3. Regrets sleeping in day and difficulty.
  - 4. Found **Roll** at **Arbor**.
    - a. Assurance of his Life.
    - b. Acceptance of desired Haven.

#### XIV. Christian meets lion-sized opposition

- A. Remembrance of warning by **Timorous** and **Mistrust.**
- B. Seeing Palace Beautiful.
- C. Seeing Lions chained
- D. Watchful the Porter calling out
  - 1. "Fear not the lions for they are chained!"
    - a. [Mark 13.14]- But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains:
  - 2. Placed there for **Trial by Faith**.
  - 3. Discovery of those that have no Faith.

4. "Keep in the midst of the Path and no harm shall come unto you."-Watchful the Porter

## XV. Christian resides at the Palace Beautiful

- A. Greets Watchful the Porter.
- B. House built by **Lord of the Hill** for relief and security of Pilgrims.
- C. <u>Christian</u> introduces himself as <u>Christian</u> but name at first was <u>Graceless</u>.
  - 1. Of the race of **Japheth**
  - 2. Persuaded to dwell in the **Tents of Shem**
  - 3. [Genesis 9.27]- God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his
  - 4. Acknowledges his tardiness
    - a. Sleeping at the **Arbor**
    - b. Losing his Evidence
    - c. With Sorrow of Heart, turned back to **Arbor** looking for **Roll**
- D. Discourse with damsel **Discretion** and her Family.
  - 1. Introduction to **Prudence**, **Piety** and **Charity**
  - 2. Christian's story
    - a. Driven out of **Native Country** by dreadful sound of coming **Destruction**.
    - b. Direction by **Evangelist** to go to the **Wicket-Gate**.
    - c. Christian's description of the Interpreter's House.
    - d. Loss of Burden at the Cross and Sepulcher
    - e. Gifts from the three **Shining Ones**.
    - f. Seeing Simple, Sloth and Presumption.
    - g. Talk with **Formality** and **Hypocrisy**
  - 3. Christian's current state.
    - a. Think upon former <u>Country</u> with Shame and Detestation and desire a <u>Better Country</u> that is Heavenly.
      - 1.) [Hebrews 11.15-16]- And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.
    - b. Grief over carrying on carnal **Cogitations** but doing that, which is best.
      - 1.) [Romans 7.21-23]- I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

- 2.) The Golden Hours-times when Christian feels the remaining sin vanquished
- 4. **Christian** recounts his story
  - a. Desire for Mt Zion
    - 1.) Rid of Annoyances
    - 2.) No Death
      - a.) [Isaiah 25.8]- He will swallow up death in victory; and the LordGOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it.
      - b.) [Revelation 21.4]- And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
    - 3.) Best of Company (those shouting out <u>Holy, Holy, Holy</u>)
    - 4.) Love for **Lord** because He relieved him of his burden.
    - 5.) Weary of inward Sickness.
  - b. Account of family.
    - 1.) Averse to Pilgrimage
    - 2.) Seemed as one who mocked them
    - 3.) Fears, Sorrow, Tears and apprehension of Judgment not sufficient for family.
    - 4.) Wife afraid of losing the World
    - 5.) Children with foolish delights of youth
    - 6.) Good conscience by good behavior. Their souls not held on his account.
      - a.) [1 John 3.12]- Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.
      - b.) [Ezekiel 3.19]- Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
  - c. Discourse of **Lord of the Hill** 
    - 1.) What He had done.
    - 2.) Why He built the House
    - 3.) He was a **Great Warrior** slaying him who had power over **Death**.
      - a.) [Hebrews 2. 14-15]- Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.
    - 4.) Loss of much **Blood**
    - 5.) Put Glory of Grace in all He did.
    - 6.) Did it for **Pure Love** to **His Country**.

- 7.) Seen by some after **the Cross**.
- 8.) Had love for poor Pilgrims.
  - a.) [1Samuel 2.8]- He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and he hath set the world upon them.
  - b.) [Psalm 113.7]- He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;
- 9.) Stripped of Glory and became Poor.
  - a.) "He would not dwell in the Mountain of Zion alone."
- 5. Christian taken to bedchamber called **Peace**.
- E. Christian shown Rarities
  - 1. Study
    - a. **Pedigree** of **Lord of the Hill** 
      - 1.) The **Son** of the **Ancient of Days**.
      - 2.) An **Eternal Generation**
    - b. Acts of the **Lord of the Hill**.
    - c. Names of hundreds in His Service
      - 1.) Placed in **Habitations**
      - 2.) Be not dissolved by **Length of Days** nor **Decays of Nature**
    - d. Acts of His Servants
      - 1.) Subdued Kingdoms
      - 2.) Wrought Righteousness
      - 3.) Obtained Promises
      - 4.) Stopped mouths of Lions
      - 5.) Quenched Violence of Fire.
      - 6.) Escaped the edge of Sword
      - 7.) Out of weakness, made strong.
      - 8.) Waxed Valiant in Fight.
      - 9.) Turned to Flight the Armies of the Aliens.
      - 10.)[Hebrews 11.33-34]- Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions. Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.
    - e. Willingness of the <u>Lord of the Hill</u> to receive into His Favor any, even though they had in past, caused Great Affronts to His Person and Proceedings.
    - f. Histories of famous things, both Ancient and Modern.

g. Prophecies and Predictions both to the dread and amazement of Enemies and comfort and solace of Pilgrims.

#### 2. Armory

- a. Sword
- b. Shield
- c. Helmet
- d. Breast-plate
- e. All-prayer
- f. Shoes that would not wear out.

# 3. Ancient Things

- a. Moses' Rod
- b. Jael's Hammer and Nail
- c. Gideon's Pitchers, Trumpets and Lamps
- d. Shamgar's Ox Goad
- e. Samson's Jawbone
- f. David's Sling and Stone
- g. Lord's Sword used to kill the Man of Sin.
- 4. Shown the Delectable Mountains in the distance
  - a. [Isaiah 33.16-17]- He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure. Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.
  - **b.** Woods, Vineyards, Fruits, Flowers, Springs and Fountains.
  - c. Emanuel's Land
    - 1.) As common to Pilgrims as Hill of Palace Beautiful
    - 2.) Within sight of Gates of Celestial City.
- 5. Pilgrim Armored.
  - a. Harnessed Head to Foot
  - b. Armored with what was Proof
  - c. For Assaults on the Way.
- 6. Inquired of previous Pilgrims.
  - a. **Faithful** by now bottom of Hill.
- 7. <u>Discretion</u>, <u>Piety</u>, <u>Charity</u> and <u>Prudence</u> accompanies <u>Pilgrim</u> to the foot of the Hill.
  - a. Hill difficult going up but dangerous going down.
  - b. Hard matter going down into **Valley of Humiliation**.

- c. Dangers of slipping by the **Way**.
- d. Parted with loaf of bread, bottle of wine, and a cluster of raisins

#### XVI. Christian enters into battle with Apollyon

- A. Foul fiend made him fear and question going back or standing ground.
- B. No armor on back so would be worse to turn.
- C. Thought the best way to save life was to stand.

# D. Description of **Apollyon**

- 1. Hideous to behold.
- 2. Clothed in scales (his pride).
- 3. Wings like a dragon.
- 4. Feet like a bear.
- 5. Fire and smoke out of his belly.
- 6. Mouth like a lion.
- 7. Disdainful countenance.

### E. Discourse with **Apollyon**

- 1. <u>Christian</u> leaving <u>City of Destruction</u>, a place of evil and going to <u>City of Zion</u>
- 2. **Apollyon** Prince of **City of Destruction**.
- 3. **Christian**, one of his subjects.
- 4. **Christian** a deserter of his King, punishable by death.
- 5. **Apollyon's** hope that **Christian** will do him more service.
- 6. **Apollyon's** service was too hard and Wages of Sin is Death
  - a. [Romans 6.23]- For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 7. **Apollyon's** flattery and amnesty.
- 8. Christian's new Allegiance.
  - a. Apollyon's claim of changing a **Bad for a Worse**.
  - b. Normal for those who have new Allegiance to leave and return to old service.
  - c. Gave Faith and sworn Allegiance; concern over leaving and hanging as a Traitor.
- 9. Christian's old allegiance.
  - a. Christian's allegiance given in his non-age.
  - b. New **Prince** is able to absolve him of Compliance in past.
  - c. Like new Service, Wages, His Servants, Government, Company and Country better than his.

- d. **Apollyon** asks to consider when **Christian** is in cool blood, what he should meet along the **Way**.
  - 1. His Servants come to an ill End because they are transgressors against **Apollyon** and his ways.
  - 2. Many put to shameful deaths.
  - 3. He never came out from the Place to deliver those that serve Him out of **Apollyon's** hands.
  - 4. **Apollyon** has come out and either by **Power** or **Fraud** delivered those faithful to him that were taken by Him.
- e. Christian's answer to Apollyon's accusations.
  - 1. His forbearing to deliver them is to try their love and see if they will cleave to Him to the End.
  - 2. **Ill End** is most glorious to their account.
  - 3. They don't expect present Deliverance but future Glory and will have it when **Prince** comes with Glory of Angels.
- f. Apollyon's accuses Christian of unfaithfulness in new Service.
  - 1. Struggle in **Gulph of Despond**.
  - 2. Attempt wrong ways of getting rid of **Burden**.
  - 3. Sinful sleep and lose choice things.
  - 4. Almost persuaded to turn back at the sight of **Lions**.
  - 5. Inward desirous of **Vain-Glory** at talk of **Journey**.
  - 6. Each accusation was true and more but **Prince** Pardoned **Christian** for each infirmity.

# F. Apollyon's Attack.

- 1. **Apollyon's** rage
- 2. **Christian's** warning.
  - a. On the **King's highway**
  - b. The Way of Holiness.
- 3. **Apollyon** stands across the **Way**.
- 4. Threat to kill **Christian** and Spill his Soul by swearing on his infernal Den.
- 5. Apollyon threw flaming dart at Christian's breast but blocked by Shield.
- 6. **Apollyon** threw more darts, wounding **Christian** in head, hand and foot.
  - a. Wounded in **Understanding**, **Faith** and **Conversation**.
- 7. Christian taken aback but took Courage.
- 8. **Christian** weakened by length of battle and wounds.
- 9. **Apollyon** wrestles **Christian** down and he drops **Sword**.
- 10. Apollyon fetches last blow for Christian's death.
- 11. Christian's despair of Life

- 12. **Christian** catches **Sword** and gives deadly thrust.
  - a. [Micah 7.8]- Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.
  - b. [Romans 8.37]- Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
  - c. [James 4.7]- Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
- 13. **Apollyon** sped away.
- 14. Christian's thanks for Deliverance.
- G. <u>Christian</u> healed by a Hand with leaves from the <u>Tree of Life</u> and refreshed with food and drink.

# XVII. Christian confronts the Valley of the Shadow of Death

- A. Way to the Celestial City lay through it.
- B. Valley of the Shadow of Death description
  - 1. A very solitary place.
  - 2. A wilderness.
  - 3. A land of desarts, of pits.
  - 4. A land of drought
  - 5. A land of the shadow of death.
  - 6. A land where no man dwelt.
  - 7. [Jeremiah 2.6]- Neither said they, Where is the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?
- C. Christian meets the two Children of the Spies who brought back an evil report.
  - 1. [Numbers 13.27-29,31-33]- and said: Look at this fruit! The land we explored is rich with milk and honey. But the people who live there are strong, and their cities are large and walled. We even saw the three Anakim clans. Besides that, the Amalekites live in the Southern Desert; the Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites are in the hill country; and the Canaanites live along the Mediterranean Sea and the River Jordan. But the other men replied, "Those people are much too strong for us." Then they started spreading rumours and saying, "We won't be able to grow anything in that soil. And the people are like giants. In fact, we saw the Nephilim who are the ancestors of the Anakim. They were so big that we felt as small as grasshoppers."
  - 2. "Back! Back!"
  - 3. Almost past coming back.
  - 4. Almost not able to bring the news back.
    - a. [Psalm 44.19]- Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, And covered us with the shadow of death.

- b. [Psalm 107.10]- Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, Being bound in affliction and iron:
- c. Their news and description of the **Valley of the Shadow of Death.** 
  - 1.) Dark as pitch
  - 2.) Hobgoblins, Satyrs, Dragons of the Pit.
  - 3.) Continual sound of howling and yelling as people under unutterable misery, who sat bound in affliction and irons.
  - 4.) Over Valley hung clouds of **Confusion**.
    - a.) [Job 3.5]- Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it.
    - b.) [Job 10.22]- A land of darkness, as darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkness.
  - 5.) Death doth always spread wings over it.
  - 6.) Dreadful, being utterly without **Order**.
  - 7.) Christian and the Children of the Spies part in opposing directions.
    - a.) [Jeremiah 2.5]- Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?
- D. **<u>Ditch</u>** at right hand of the <u>Way</u>,
  - 1. Blind led blind to perish.
- E. **Dangerous Quag(mire)** at the left hand, where there is no bottom.
  - 1. [Psalm 69.14]- Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.
  - 2. **<u>King David</u>** once did fall, almost smothered if not plucked out.
- F. Narrow way meant mutual danger in avoiding **Ditch** and **Mire**.
- G. Darkness and dangerous footing.
- H. **Mouth of Hell** by the Wayside.
  - 1. Flame and smoke in abundance.
  - 2. Sparks and hideous noises.
  - 3. Cared not for Christian's Sword
  - 4. Putting **Sword** aside
  - 5. Used another weapon, All-Prayer.
    - a. [Ephesians 6.18]- Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;
    - b. [Psalm 116.4]- Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
- I. Heard a **Company of Fiends**

- 1. Thought to go back.
- 2. Thought he might be halfway through **Valley**.
- 3. Remembrance of many dangers he had vanquished.
- 4. "I will walk in the Strength of the Lord God."

#### J. Mouth of the Burning Pit

- 1. Didn't perceive his own voice.
- 2. Wicked One whispered many grievous **Blasphemes**.
- 3. **Christian** thought **Blasphemes** came from his own mind.

# XVIII. Christian overtakes and converses with Faithful

- A. Heard Faithful ahead
  - 1. [Psalm 23.4] Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
- B. Glad to know Faithful was in front of him
  - 1. Some who feared God were with him in the Valley.
  - 2. Perceived that God was with them in that dark and dismal place.
  - 3. He hoped to have Company.
- C. Daybreak arrives and Christian and Faithful discourse
  - 1. [Amos 5.8]- Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The Lord is his name:
  - 2. Turned to see Hazards in the Light of the Day.
  - 3. [Job 12.22]- He discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.
  - **4.** Able to see better the second part of Valley, which was more dangerous.
    - a. Snares, traps, gins and nets.
    - b. [Job 29.3] When his candle shined upon my head, and when by his light I walked through darkness;
    - c. End of Valley blood, bones, ashes and mangled bodies of men, even Pilgrims.
    - d. Cave of Giants Pope and Pagan in Old Time.
    - e. Christian passed unharmed because **Pagan** had died and **Pope** crazy and stiff in the joints.
      - 1.) "You will never mend, till more of you are burnt"
  - 5. Called ahead to **Faithful** but he would not stop and wait.
    - a. He was a upon his Life
    - b. **Avenger of Blood** was behind him

- 6. Christian overtook Faithful but stumbled because of pride.
  - a. Christian could not get up without help from Faithful
  - b. Fall made sweeter fellowship and discourse for **Christian** and **Faithful**.
- 7. Christian and Faithful have discourse.
  - a. Neighbors from the **City of Destruction**.
  - b. Faithful heard derision from those after Christian flees.
  - c. <u>Faithful</u> could not stay after talk of City being burned with <u>Fire from Heaven</u>.
  - d. <u>Pliable's</u> condition seven times worse than if he went out of the city.
    - 1.) [Jeremiah 29.18-19]- And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them: Because they have not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.
  - e. **Pliable** compared to the dog and the sow.
    - 1.) [2 Peter 2.22]- But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.
  - f. Christian's and Faithful's account of the Slough of Despond to Valley of Shadow of Death
    - 1.) **Faithful** escaped the **Slough of Despond** but almost trapped by **Wanton**.
      - a.) [Genesis 39.11-13]- And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the house to do his business; and there was none of the men of the house there within. And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out. And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth,
      - b.) A flattering tongue.
      - c.) Promised **Content** if Faithful turn aside.
      - d.) Not content of good conscience but of all carnal and fleshly content.
        - 1.) [Proverbs 22.14]- The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein.
      - **e.)** Faithful not wholly escaped from Wanton.
        - 1.) [Proverbs 5.5]- Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.
        - 2.) [Job 31.1]- I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?
    - 2.) Faithful and Adam the First at Hill Difficulty
      - **a.)** Asked to come and stay with <u>Wages</u> at the town of <u>Deceit</u>.
        - 1.) [Ephesians 4.22]-That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;
      - b.) Work was Many Delights.

- c.) Wages were Faithful would become his Heir at last
- d.) Servants were his **Children**.
  - 1.) The Lust of the Flesh
  - 2.) The Lust of the Eyes
  - 3.) The Pride of Life
  - 4.) [1 John 2.16]- For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
- e.) **Children** were offered in marriage to **Faithful**.
- f.) Faithful inclined to go to town of **Deceit** but saw Mark on Adam the First.
  - 1.) "Put off the Old Man with His Deeds."
- g.) Adam the First warns of One who will Overtake Faithful
  - 1.) Adam the First takes hold of Faithful's flesh
  - 2.) Faithful cries out O Wretched Man!
  - 3.) [Romans 7.24]- O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
- h.) Faithful attacked by Moses.
  - 1.) With a Word and a blow laid **Faithful** down for dead.
  - 2.) Attacked because of **Faithful's** secret inclining to **Adam the First**.
  - 3.) Faithful struck again and cried for Mercy.
  - 4.) **Moses** did not know how to show **Mercy**.
  - 5.) Faithful's end were it not for Lord of Hill coming and forbearing him.
    - a.) Faithful seeing Holes in Hands and His Side
  - 6.) <u>Faithful's</u> early meeting with <u>Moses</u> at <u>Faithful's</u> home and his threats of burning his home if he stayed there.
- 3.) Faithful passes sleeping Lions and Porter in Palace Beautiful.
- 4.) Faithful continues down Hill to Valley of Humility.
- 5.) **Faithful** assaulted by **Discontent** persuading him to return.
  - a.) The Valley was altogether without Honor.
  - b.) Disobeying all Faithful's friends **Pride**, **Arrogance**, **Self-Conceit**, **Worldly-Glory** and others for making a fool of himself.
  - c.) <u>Faithful</u> was disowned by friends since becoming a Pilgrim and he rejected them and they no longer were as those who never had lineage with him.
  - d.) <u>Discontent</u> misrepresented <u>Valley</u>-before <u>Honor</u> comes <u>Humility</u> and a <u>Haughty Spirit</u> before a <u>Fall</u>
  - e.) Faithful opted for that of Honor to the Wisest over that most worthy to his affections.

- 6.) **Faithful** assaulted by **Shame**.
  - a.) Objected to Religion itself.
  - b.) **Tender Conscience** an unmanly thing
  - **c.)** Ridicule of the <u>Times</u>
    - 1.) Watching over Words and Ways
    - 2.) Tying himself up from that hectoring liberty of other brave **Spirits of the Times** accustomed themselves to.
  - d.) But a **Few** of the **Mighty**, **Rich** or **Wise** 
    - 1.) Persuaded to be fools.
    - 2.) Voluntary fondness to venture the **Loss of All**
  - e.) Objected to state of **Pilgrims** 
    - 1.) Base and low estate and condition.
    - 2.) Ignorance and want of understanding in all Natural Science.
    - 3.) Whining and mourning under a sermon
    - 4.) Sighing and groaning home
    - 5.) Asking Forgiveness from Neighbor for petty faults or make Restitution.
    - 6.) Religion made a man grow strange to the Great, because of a few Vices and own and respect the Base because of the same Religious Fraternity.
  - f.) Faithful's response to Shame
    - 1.) Initial embarrassment
    - 2.) That highly esteemed among men, is abomination with God.
    - 3.) [Luke 16.15]- And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.
    - 4.) Shame tells Faithful what men are but nothing of what God or the Word of God is.
    - 5.) At the <u>Day of Doom</u>, we shall not be doomed to <u>Death</u> or <u>Life</u>, according to the hectoring spirits of the world, but according to the <u>Wisdom</u> and the <u>Law of the Highest</u>.
    - 6.) <u>God</u> prefers His <u>Religion</u>; a tender <u>Conscience</u>, fools for the <u>Kingdom of Heaven</u> are wisest; the poor that loves <u>Christ</u> are in fact richest.
    - 7.) **Shame** is an enemy of **Salvation**.
- g. Christian recounts his fight with Apollyon.

# XIX. Christian and Faithful converse with Talkative

- A. Description of **Talkative.** 
  - 1. Walked besides them in the way but at a distance

- 2. Tall man.
- 3. More comely at a distance than at hand.

# B. Discourse with **Talkative**

- 1. Preference in discussion
  - a. Things good.
  - b. Truth
  - c. Things of Profit
  - d. Things of **God of Heaven**.
  - e. Things of **God**.
    - 1.) History
    - 2.) Mystery of things
    - 3.) Miracles, Wonders and Signs.

# f. Holy Scripture

- 1.) Knowledge of many things
- 2.) Vanity of earthly things
- 3.) Benefit of things Above
- 4.) Necessity of the New Birth
- 5.) Insufficiency of our own Works.
- 6.) The need of **Christ's Righteousness**
- 7.) What it is to **Repent**, **Believe**, **Pray**, and **Suffer**
- 8.) The **Great Promises** and **Consolations of the Gospel** to his own comfort.
- 9.) To refute false opinions, to vindicate the **Truth**, and instruct the Ignorant.

#### 2. Faithful and Talkative talk of Faith and Works

- b. So few see the need of **Faith** and necessity of work of **Grace** in the soul to **Eternal Life**.
- c. Many ignorantly live in the works of <u>the Law</u>, by which no man obtains the <u>Kingdom of</u> **Heaven**.
- d. <u>Faith</u> gives leave and adds that <u>Heavenly Knowledge</u> of these is the <u>Gift of God</u> and no man attains them by human industry or only by the talk of them.
- e. Talkative will discuss of things of Profit
  - 1.) Heavenly or Earthly
  - 2.) Moral or things Evangelical
  - 3.) Sacred or Profane
  - 4.) Things past or things to come
  - 5.) Things foreign or things at home

6.) Things more essential or things circumstantial

# 3. **Christian** warns **Faithful** of **Talkative**

- a. Will beguile with his Tongue
- b. **Talkative** also from **City of Destruction**.
- c. Son of **Say-well**
- d. Lived on **Prating-Row**
- e. Best abroad but near home is ugly enough like the Painter whose pictures show best at a distance and more displeasing up close.
- f. **Talkative** is for any company and for any talk.
- g. **Religion** has no place in his heart, house or conversation; only in his tongue.
  - 1.) [Matthew 23.28]- Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
  - 2.) [1 Corinthians 4.20]- For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.
- h. Only talks of **Prayer**, **Repentance**, **Faith** and **New Birth**.
- i. His house empty of **<u>Religion</u>** with neither **<u>Prayer</u>** nor sign of **<u>Repentance for Sin.</u>**
- j. He is a stain to **Religion** 
  - 1.) [Romans 2.24-25]- For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written. For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision.
  - 2.) "A Saint abroad, and a Devil at home."
  - 3.) Bringing his sons up to follow his steps and forsake their **Timorousness** or tender conscience
- k. Talkative's wicked life cause many to stumble and fall.
- 1. The **Soul of Religion** is the practical part not only hearing and saying.
  - 1.) [James 1.23-27] For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.
  - 2.) [Matthew 13.23]- But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.
  - 3.) Insignificance of the profession of **Talkative**
  - 4.) The Beast that is Clean
    - a.) [Leviticus 11.3]- Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

- b.) [Deuteronomy 14.6]- And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, and cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.
- c.) <u>Talkative</u> chews the cud (the <u>Word for knowledge</u>) but doesn't cleave the hoof (not part with the **Way of Sinners**)
- 5.) <u>Talkative</u> Sounding Brass and Tinkling Cymbals and things without life giving sound
  - a.) [1 Corinthians 13.1-3]- Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.
  - b.) [1 Corinthians 14.7]- And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?
- 4. Faithful and Talkative discourse on the Power of Religion
  - a. How does **Saving Grace of God** discover itself when in the **Heart of Man**?
    - 1.) Talkative answers firstly, causing a great Outcry against Sin.
    - 2.) Faithful answers inclining the Soul to abhor its Sin.
      - a.) Many cry out against <u>Sin</u> in the <u>Pulpit</u>, who yet abides it well in the <u>Heart</u>, <u>House</u> and <u>Conversation</u>.
      - b.) Potiphar's wife crying out against Joseph publicly but privately would have sinned.
        - 1.) [Genesis 39.15]- And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.
    - 3.) Talkative answers secondly, Great Knowledge of Gospel-Mysteries.
    - 4.) <u>Faithful</u> answers, to know is a thing that pleases <u>Talkers</u> and <u>Boasters</u>; but to *do* is that which pleases <u>God</u>.
      - a.) [1 Corinthians 13.2]- And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.
      - b.) [Psalm 119.34]- Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.
    - 5.) Faithful gives many more signs of how Grace in the Soul discovers itself.
      - a.) Conviction of Sin especially the Defilement of his Nature, and the Sin of Unbelief.
        - 1.) [John 16.8-9]- And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me;
        - 2.) [Mark 6.16]- But when Herod heard thereof, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead.
      - b.) The fight and sense of things working in him sorrow and shame for **Sin** 
        - 1.) [Romans 7.24]- O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

- 2.) [Psalm 38.18]- For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.
- 3.) [Jeremiah 31.19]- Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.
- c.) Revealed in him the **Savior of the World** and absolute necessity of closing with **Him** for **Life**.
  - 1.) [Galatians 2.16]- Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
  - 2.) [Acts 4.12]- Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
- d.) Finding **Hungering and Thirsting** after **Him**, to which hungering, **the Promise** is made.
  - 1.) [Matthew 5.6]- Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
  - 2.) [Revelation 21.6]- And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
- e.) His own inability of discovering <u>Grace in the Soul</u> because of his <u>Corruptions</u> now and <u>abused Reason</u> causing him to misjudge.
- f.) An Experimental Confession of his Faith in Christ.
- g.) By a <u>Life of Holiness</u> answerable to the <u>Confession</u>.

#### 1.) Heart-Holiness.

- a.) [Romans 10.10]- For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
- b.) [John14.15]- If ye love me, keep my commandments.
- c.) [Job 42.5-6]- I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.
- d.) [Ezekiel 20.43]- And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.

#### 2.) Family-Holiness.

a.) [Joshua 24.15]- And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

#### 3.) **Conversation-Holiness** in the **World**.

a.) [Philippians 1.27]- Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

- b.) [Matthew 5.9]- Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
- c.) [Psalm 50.23]- Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God.
- b. Faithful asks which Religion Talkative has, Word and Tongue or in Deed and Truth.
  - 1.) Blushes and then refuses to let **Faithful** be his judge
- c. **Faithful** deals plainly with **Talkative** 
  - 1.) **Talkative** had ought else but **Notion**
  - 2.) Religion lies in Talk.
  - 3.) Conversation gives mouth-profession the lie.
  - 4.) A **Spot** among **Christians**.
  - 5.) Religion fares worse for his ungodly conversation.
  - 6.) Some have stumbled by his wicked ways and many more are in danger.
  - 7.) His religion will stand with the alehouse, and covetousness, uncleanness, and swearing, lying and vain company keeping.
- 5. Talkative leaves abruptly and Christian and Faithful discussion of him.
  - a. Faithful's Words and Talkative's Lust could not agree.
  - b. Rather leave **Faithful's** company than reform his Life.
  - c. It was well **Faithful** spoke plainly with **Talkative**.
    - 1.) **Talkative** may remember talk to his own good.
    - 2.) Faithful clear of his Blood
- XX. **Evangelist** reappears to give timely warning.
  - A. Glad that they were **Victors** over **Trials**.
  - B. <u>Evangelist</u> had sowed they had reaped but a <u>Day</u> will come when they that sow and they that reap will rejoice together.
    - 1. [John 4.36]- And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.
  - C. **Evangelists** warnings
    - 1. Hold Fast the **Crown** 
      - a. [Galatians 6.9]- And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.
      - b. [1 Corinthians 9.24-27]- Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body,

- and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.
- c. [Revelation 3.11]- Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.
- 2. Not yet out of **Gunshot** of the **Devil**.
- 3. Not yet resisted unto **Blood**.
- 4. Striving against Sin.
- 5. Kingdom always before you.
- 6. Believe steadfastly concerning things Invisible
- 7. Let nothing in the World get within you.
- 8. Look well to your **Lusts** thereof for they are deceitful above all and desperately wicked.
- 9. Set your faces like flint having all power in **Heaven** and **Earth** on your side.
- D. Evangelist's prediction of their troubles.
  - 1. Through many **Tribulations** enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.
  - 2. In every <u>City</u>, <u>Bonds</u> and <u>Afflictions</u> abide with you.
  - 3. They will be hardly beset with enemies in **Vanity Fair**.
  - 4. One or both with seal your **Testimony** with **Blood** and will be faithful unto **Death**.
  - 5. King will give a **Crown of Life**.
  - 6. The one who sees <u>Death</u> though unnatural, will be better because he will arrive at the <u>Celestial City</u> sooner and escape the many miseries of the rest of <u>Journey</u>.

## XXI. Christian and Faithful on trial at Vanity-Fair

- A. <u>Town Vanity</u> named because where it is kept is lighter than vanity and all that is sold there or comes is vanity.
  - 1. [Isaiah 40.17]- All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.
  - 2. [Ecclesiastes 1.2]- Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.
  - 3. [Ecclesiastes 2.11,17]- Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun. Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.
- B. **Vanity Fair** kept all year round.
- C. **Vanity Fair** of ancient standing
  - 1. Built 5000 years earlier
  - 2. Built by **Beelzebub**, **Apollyon** and **Legion**

- 3. Built in path of Pilgrims on their way of **Celestial City**.
- 4. Sold all sorts of Vanity; houses, lands, trades, places, honors, preferments, titles, countries, kingdoms, lusts, pleasures and delights of all sorts.
- 5. Entertainment such as: juggling, games, cheats, games, plays, fools, apes, knaves and rogues.
- 6. Crime like: thefts, murders, adulteries and false-swearers.
- 7. Wares vended in the streets.
  - a. Britain row
  - b. French row
  - c. <u>Italian row</u>
  - d. Spanish row
  - e. German row
  - f. **Rome** ware greatly promoted in the Fair.
- D. **Prince of Princes** went through town on **Fair-day**.
  - 1. [1 Corinthians 5.10]- Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.
  - 2. **Beelzebub** himself invited **Him** to buy of vanities.
    - a. [Matthew 4.8]- Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;
    - b. [Luke 4. 5-7]- And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.
- E. Christian and Faithful enter Vanity Fair causing a disruption.
  - 1. Clothing differed from the citizens. Mocked and called fools, bedlams and outlandish men.
    - a. [1 Corinthians 2.7-8]- But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
  - 2. Differed in Speech speaking language of **Canaan**.
  - 3. Did not buy the wares of **Vanity Fair**.
    - a. "Turn away mine eyes from beholding Vanity," while looking to Heaven.
    - b. "We buy the Truth."
- F. Christian and Faithful are examined by Men of the Town.
  - 1. **Great One of the Fair** order them brought for examination
  - 2. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Faithful</u> tell men they are <u>Pilgrims and Strangers in the World</u> and going to <u>Heavenly</u> Jerusalem.
    - a. [Hebrews 11.13-16]- These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were

strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

- 3. Asked to be released and allowed to continue on their **Journey**.
- 4. Men asked **Christian** and **Faithful** what they would buy and their response was, "We buy the Truth."
- 5. They were taken as Bedlams and Madmen.

### G. Christian and Faithful are persecuted

- 4. They were beaten, besmeared and Cage and made a Spectacle.
- 5. Made objects of **Sport**, **Malice** or **Revenge**.
- 6. **Christian** and **Faithful** behave wisely.
  - c. Received more ignominy and shame from **Men of the Town**.
  - d. Won over several men of the town by their meekness and patience.
  - e. More rage from remaining party
- 7. **Christian** and **Faithful** put in Cage and Stocks.
  - a. Remembered Evangelist's warning.
  - b. Comforted each other that whose lot is were to suffer.
  - c. Each secretly wished that he might have preferment.
  - d. Committed themselves to the <u>All-wise</u> dispose of Him that rules all things.
- 8. **Christian** and **Faithful** brought to Trial.
  - a. Judge **Lord Hate-Good**.
  - b. Accusations
    - 1.) Enemies to and disturbers of their Trade.
    - 2.) Made Commotions and Divisions in the Town.
    - 3.) Won a Party over to their own most **Dangerous Opinions**.
    - 4.) Contempt of the Law of their Prince.
  - c. Faithful's answer to accusations
    - 1.) Set himself against that which had set against **Him that is higher than the Highest**.
    - 2.) Made no disturbance, being a man of **Peace**.
    - 3.) Party won over by beholding their **Truth** and **Innocence**, turning from worse to better.
    - 4.) Their King Beelzebub enemy to their Lord and Faithful defies him and his angels.
  - d. Three witnesses against Faithful
    - 1.) **Envy**'s testimony
      - a.) One of the vilest in their country.

- b.) No regard for **Prince**, **People**, **Law** or **Custom**.
- c.) Tries to possess all men with disloyal notions Principles of Faith and Holiness.
- d.) <u>Christianity</u> and <u>Customs</u> of Town of <u>Vanity</u> were diametrically opposite and could not be reconciled.
- e.) Condemning laudable things and them doing them.

### 2.) **Superstition**'s testimony

- a.) Faithful a pestilent fellow
- b.) Religion of Vanity was naught for by it a man could not please God.
- c.) They worship in vain and are yet in their Sins and finally shall be damned.

## 3.) **Pickthank**'s testimony

- a.) Railed on noble Prince Beelzebub.
- b.) Contempt toward honorable friends <u>Lord Old-Man</u>, <u>Lord Carnal-Delight</u>, <u>Lord Luxurious</u>, <u>Lord Desire of Vain-Glory</u>, <u>Lord Leachery</u>, <u>Sir Having Greedy</u>.
- c.) Exile of them and others like them from the town.
- d.) Rail on Judge **Lord Hate-Good**, calling him an ungodly Villain.

### e. Faithful's answer to Testimony

- 1.) **Envy** Rule, or Laws, or Customs or People were flat against the **Word of God**, are diametrically opposite to **Christianity**.
- 2.) <u>Superstition</u> The <u>Worship of God</u> requires a <u>Divine Faith</u>, but no <u>Divine Faith</u> without a <u>Divine Revelation</u> of the <u>Will of God</u>. Whatever is thrust into the <u>Worship of God</u> that is not agreeable to <u>Divine Revelation</u> cannot be done but by a human Faith, which will not profit to <u>Eternal Life</u>.
- 3.) **Prince** of this **Town**, with all rabblement and his attendants are more fit for being in **Hell** than this **Town** and **Country**.

### f. Judge addresses Jury

- 1.) Act in days of Pharaoh the Great to keep those contrary to Religion to multiply and grow to strong; their males should be thrown into the river.
  - a.) [Exodus 1.10, 16]- Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land. And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools; if it be a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it be a daughter, then she shall live.
- 2.) Act in the days of Nebuchadnezzar the Great that, whoever would not fall down and worship his **Golden Image**, should be thrown in the **Fiery Furnace**.
  - a.) [Daniel 3. 5-6]- That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up: And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
- 3.) Act in the days of Darius that, whoever called upon anther God but him, should be cast into the **Lions' Den**.

a.) [Daniel 6.7-9]- All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions. Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not. Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

#### 4.) Jury and their verdicts

- a.) Mr. Blind-man- He is a heretic
- b.) Mr. No-good- Away with such a fellow from earth.
- c.) Mr. Malice- I hate the very looks of him.
- d.) Mr. Love-lust- I could never endure him.
- e.) Mr. Live-loose- He would always be condemning my Way.
- f.) Mr. Heady- Hang him, hang him.
- g.) Mr. High-mind- A sorry Scrub.
- h.) **Mr. Enmity-** My heart rises against him.
- i.) Mr. Lyer- He is a Rogue.
- j.) Mr. Cruelty- Hanging is too good for him.
- k.) Mr. Hate-light- Lets dispatch him out of the way.
- 1.) Mr. Implacable- Might I have all the World given me, I could not be reconciled to him, therefore let us forthwith bring him to Guilty of Death.

### H. Faithful's cruel Death

- 1. Scourged him
- 2. Buffeted him
- 3. Lanced his flesh with knives
- 4. Stoned him
- 5. Pricked with swords
- 6. Burnt to ashes at the Stake
- 7. <u>Chariot</u> and <u>Horses</u> waiting for <u>Faithful</u> and soon taken up through the clouds with <u>Sound of Trumpets</u>, the nearest way to the <u>Celestial Gate</u>.
- I. Christian remains in prison and eventually released
  - 1. By He who over-rules all things,
  - 2. Having the **Power** of their rage in **His Own Hand**

## XXII. Christian and Hopeful converse with By-ends

A. Beholding **Christian** and **Hopeful** in their words and behavior, in their sufferings at the **Fair**.

- 1. One died to make **Testimony to the Truth**.
- 2. Another rises out if his ashes to be a companion with **Christian** in his **Pilgrimage**.
- 3. Many more of the men of the **Fair** would take their time and follow after.
- B. Overtake **By-ends** on the **Way** from the town of **Fair-speech**

#### C. Town of Fair-speech

- 1. Some good come from there
- 2. A wealthy place with many Rich Kindred there.
  - a. Lord Turn-about
  - b. <u>Lord Time-server</u>
  - c. Lord Fair-speech
  - d. Mr. Smooth-man
  - e. Mr. Facing-both ways
  - f. Mr. Anything
  - g. Parson of our parish **Mr. Two-tongues** his Uncle.
  - h. **<u>By-ends</u>** became a Gentleman of good quality, though his great grandfather was a waterman looking one way and rowing another.
  - i. **By-ends**' wife a virtuous woman-daughter of **Lady Feigning**.
- 3. Differ in **Religion** from those of stricter sort.
  - a. Never strive against Wind and Tide.
  - b. Most zealous when Religion goes in his **Silver Slippers**
  - c. Walk with him in the street if the Sun shines and the people applaud him.

# D. Christian questions **By-ends**

- 1. Ashamed of his name.
- 2. **By-ends** a nickname given by some that can't abide him.
- 3. Bear name as a Reproach as other good men before him.
- 4. Only occasion to be given name was Luck to jump in judgment with the present **Way of the Times**.
- 5. <u>Christian</u> believes the name belongs to him properly.
- 6. **By-ends** may continue with them
  - a. Must go against Wind and Tide
  - b. Must own Religion in his Rags as well as in Silver Slippers
  - c. Stand by Religion bound in Irons as well as in streets with Applause.

#### E. Christian and Hopeful forsake By-ends

- 1. **By-ends** disagrees
  - a. Do not impose, nor lord it over his faith

- b. Leave him to his **Liberty**.
- c. Never desert old **Principles** since they are harmless and profitable.

# F. **By-ends** and his companions **Mr. Hold the World**, **Mr. Money-love**, and **Mr. Save-all**.

- 1. Old school friends taught by **Mr. Gripe-man**.
  - a. School was in the market town of **Love-gain** in the county of **Coveting**.
  - b. Taught the **Art of Getting** by **Violence**, **Cozenage** or fraud, **Flattery**, lying or putting on a guise of **Religion**.
  - c. Attained much in the Art to be able to be able to have a School themselves.

## 2. Discuss **Christian** and **Hopeful**

- a. Did not stay because they were so rigid
- b. So lightly esteemed opinion of others.
- c. If a man not jumps with them, they thrust him out of company.
- d. Mr. Save-all read of those Righteous over-much who judge and condemn all but them.
- e. How **By-ends** and **Christian** and **Hopeful** differed.
  - 1.) Rush on their while **By-ends** waiting on **Wind and Tide**.
  - 2.) They are <u>Hazarding</u> all for <u>God</u> and him taking advantages in <u>Life and Estate</u>.
  - 3.) Holding notions though all men against them,
  - 4.) **By-ends' Religion** is as **Times** and **safety** will bear.
  - 5.) They are for Religion in Rags and Contempt but **By-ends** for walking in Golden Slippers in the sunshine and with Applause.

### f. Mr. Hold-the-World let us be wise as Serpents

- 1.) Make hay while the Sun shines.
- 2.) The Bee lies still in winters and bestirs only when Profit and Pleasure
- 3.) Likes **Religion** best when standing with security of God's good blessing.
- 4.) **Abraham** and **Solomon** grew rich in Religion
- 5.) Job says that a good man shell lay-up Gold as Dust.

## g. Mr. Money-love view on Christian and Hopeful

1.) He that believes neither Scripture nor Reason knows neither his own Liberty nor his own Safety.

#### 3. **By-ends**' question to the men

- a. If a <u>Minister</u> or a <u>Tradesman</u> has a good opportunity to receive good blessings of his life only if he were extraordinarily zealous in some points of Religion and altering his <u>Principles</u>; may he use these Means to attain his End and still be an honest man?
- b. **Mr. Money Love**'s answer

- 1.) His desire of a greater good is lawful because it is set before him in Providence, making no question of Conscience.
- 2.) His desire makes him more studious, a more zealous Preacher, making him a better man.
- 3.) As for complying with the temper of his people. By dissenting some of his Principles to serve them.
  - a.) He is of Self-denying temper.
  - b.) He is of sweet and winning deportment.
  - c.) He is more fit for ministerial function.
- 4.) A <u>Minister</u> changing small for great ought not be judged as covetous
- 5.) A <u>Tradesman</u> may become more religious to mend his market, a rich wife, or better customers.
  - a.) To become Religious is a Virtue.
  - b.) Not unlawful to get a rich wife or better customers.
  - c.) To become Religious to get these things is a good and profitable Design.
- c. **By-ends** and companions ask **Christian** and **Hopeful** same question.
  - 1.) Unlawful to follow **Christ** for loaves.
    - a.) [John 6.26-27]- Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.
  - 2.) Only **<u>Heathens</u>**, **<u>Hypocrites</u>**, **<u>Devils</u>**, and **<u>Witches</u>** are of this opinion.
    - a.) [Genesis 34.20-23]- And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying, These men are peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for the land, behold, it is large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters. Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they are circumcised. Shall not their cattle and their substance and every beast of their's be our's? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.
    - b.) [Luke 20.46-47]- Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts; Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.
    - c.) Judas the Devil was religious for the Bag but the very Son of Perdition.
    - d.) [Acts 8.19-22]- Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.
    - e.) That man that takes up Religion for the World will throw away Religion for the World as **Judas**.

- d. By-ends and companions let **Christian** and **Hopeful** go ahead.
  - 1.) <u>Christian</u> said if these men can't stand before the sentence of man, how can they stand before the sentence of **God**?
  - 2.) If mute when dealt with by <u>Vessels of Clay</u>, what shall they do when rebuked by the flames of <u>Devouring Fire</u>?

#### XXIII. The silver mine at the hill **Lucre**

- A. They passed with content the delicate plain called **Ease**,
- B. **Silver-Mine** draws attention due to rarity.
- C. Many killed because of the deceitful ground near the brink of the pit and others maimed to the point of not being their own man till their <u>Dying-day</u>.
- D. **Demas** calls to **Christian** and **Hopeful** 
  - 1. "Ho, turn aside hither, and I will show you a thing."
  - 2. A **Silver-mine** and digging for **Treasure**.
  - 3. Only a little pains and will richly provide for themselves.
  - 4. **Hopeful** almost goes but **Christian** warns him of dangers.
    - a. Many have been slain.
    - b. **Treasure** is a snare to those that seek.
    - c. Hinders those in the their Pilgrimage
    - d. [Hosea 4.18]- Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.
  - 5. Demas explains dangers only to those who are careless but blushed as he spoke but Christian answers.
    - a. [2 Timothy 4.10]- For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
    - b. Thou art an Enemy to the right ways of the **Lord of this Way**.
    - c. Have already been condemned for turning aside by one of his Majestic Judges.
    - d. Why seek to bring them into like condemnation.
    - e. If they turn aside, Lord the King will hear and put them to shame.
    - f. **<u>Demas</u>** offers to come with them if they tarry there with him.
    - g. <u>Demas</u> is son of <u>Abraham</u>, <u>Gehazi</u> his great grandfather, <u>Judas</u> his father and hanged as a <u>Traitor</u>.
      - 1.) [2 Kings 5.20]- But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, as the LORD liveth, I will run after him, and take somewhat of him.
      - 2.) [Matthew 26.14-15]- Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.

- 3.) [Matthew 27.1-3, 5-6]- When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death: And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.
- h. **Christian** and **Hopeful** will tell the King of **Demas**' behavior.
- E. <u>By-ends</u> and his companions <u>Mr. Hold the World</u>, <u>Mr. Money-love</u>, and <u>Mr. Save-all</u> heed Demas and go to Silver-mine with unknown fate.
  - 1. Fell in by looking over the brink.
  - 2. Went down to dig.
  - 3. Smothered in the bottom by the damps that arise.

### XXIV. The monument to **Lot's wife**

- A. Woman transformed into the shape of a Pillar.
- B. "Remember Lot's Wife" written above on the head.
- C. Was the **Pillar of Salt Lot's wife** was turned into.
  - 1. Looked back to **Sodom** with a covetous heart as she left for safety.
  - 2. [Genesis 19.26]- But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.
- D. <u>Christian</u> says it's an opportune time seeing monument right after <u>Demas</u>' invitation to view the hill **Lucre**.
  - 1. <u>Hopeful</u>'s shame-difference in Sin between <u>Lot's wife</u> looking back and his desire to go see.
  - 2. "Let Grace be adored, and let me be ashamed, that ever such a thing should be in mine heart."
- E. They take note that **Lot's wife** escaped one Judgment in the destruction of **Sodom** to be destroyed by another being turned to **Pillar of Salt**.
  - 1. Lot's wife a Caution and Example.
  - 2. They should shun her sin.
  - 3. See her as a sign of what Judgment will overtake them.
  - 4. [Numbers 26.9-10]- And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is that Dathan and Abiram, which were famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD: And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became a sign.
  - 5. Confidence of <u>Demas</u> and others while within view of J<u>udgment Lot's wife</u> only looking back and not turning out of the <u>Way</u>.
  - **6. Demas**' desperate heart to sin before the **Lord**.
    - a. Those who pick pockets within sight of the **Judge**.

- b. Those cutting purses in view of the **Gallows**.
- c. **Men of Sodom** were sinners exceedingly because they were sinners before the Lord.
  - 1.) [Genesis 13.10,13]- And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar. But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

### XXV. Christian and Hopeful go into By-Path Meadow

- A. They come to pleasant **River**.
  - 1. **<u>David</u>** called river the <u>**River of God**</u>.
    - a. [Psalm 65.9]- Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.
  - 2. **John** called river the **Water of Life**.
    - a. [Revelation 22.1]- And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.
  - 3. Drank from the **River Of God** and nearby trees had leaves good for **Medicine**.
    - a. [Ezekiel 47.12]- And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.
  - 4. Rested in the **Meadow** by the **River of God**.
    - a. [Psalm 23.2]- He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
    - b. [Isaiah 14.30]- And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.
- B. The **Way** became difficult after departing from the **River of God**.
  - 1. [Numbers 21.4]- And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way.
  - 2. **Christian** and **Hopeful** wished for a better way.
- C. Christian and Hopeful see By-Path-Meadow to the left with a Stile over into it
  - 1. <u>Christian</u> sees the path follows along the <u>Way</u> on other side of fence.
  - 2. **Hopeful** warns of being lead out of the **Way** but is persuaded to go.
    - a. "One Temptation makes way for another."
    - b. "Strong Christians may lead weak ones out of the Way."
  - 3. Path on **By-Path-Meadow** is easier to walk.
  - 4. See man **Vain-Confidence** ahead of them.
    - a. Dangers of falling in with **Strangers**.

- 5. <u>Vain-Confidence</u> not seeing in the dark falls into deep <u>Pit</u>.
  - a. [Isaiah 9.16]- For the leaders of this people cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed.
- 6. Hopeful repents for going into **By-Path-Meadow**.
  - a. Showed confidence in wisdom of **Christian** and gave gentle caution due to him being older.
  - b. Forgives **Christian** for leading off **the Way**
  - c. They attempt to find their way back to **the Way** with **Hopeful** leading due to **Christian**'s troubled mind.
  - d. [Jeremiah 31.21]- Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, even the way which thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.
  - e. Could not continue due to dark and rain.

## XXVI. Christian and Hopeful are captured by Giant Despair

- A. They are caught in the morning.
- B. Know they are at fault,
- C. Locked in **Doubting-Castle** 
  - 1. Locked in dungeon from Wednesday morning to Saturday evening
  - 2. No bread, drink or Light
  - 3. [Psalm 88.1,4,8,15-16]- O lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man that hath no strength: Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: I am shut up, and I cannot come forth. I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up: while I suffer thy terrors I am distracted. Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.
  - 4. **Christian**'s double sorrow due to being brought there by his unadvised haste.
  - 5. **Giant Despair**'s wife **Diffidence** counsels him to beat them the next day.
  - 6. That evening <u>Giant Despair</u>'s wife <u>Diffidence</u> counsels him to suggest to them they kill themselves by knife, halter or poison.
  - 7. Why choose <u>Life</u> if attended by so much <u>Bitterness</u>?
  - 8. They asked to be released and **Giant Despair** would begin beating them but sometimes fell into fits.
- D. Christian and Hopeful discuss their course.
  - 1. **Christian** despairs.
    - a. [Job 7.15]- So that my soul chooseth strangling, and death rather than my life.
    - b. "The Grave is easier that the Dungeon"
  - 2. **Hopeful** comforts **Christian** 
    - a. Consider the **Lord of The Country**, "Thou shalt do no murder."

- b. "For no Murderer hath Eternal Life."
- c. To kill oneself is to kill **Body** and **Soul**.
- d. All of the Law is not in the hand of **Giant Despair**.
- e. Others may have been captured by him but have escaped.
- f. "Let's be patient and endure."
- E. **Giant Despair** rages that night when they didn't heed his counsel and kill themselves.
  - 1. Hopeful again encourages a dejected Christian.
    - a. Reminded **Christian** of his valiant victories.
      - 1.) **Apollyon**.
      - 2.) Valley of the Shadow of Death
      - 3.) Chain and cage and fate of a **Bloody Death** at **Vanity Fair**
    - b. **Hopeful** under the same punishment and yet a weaker man.
    - c. A call for more patience.
- F. <u>Giant Despair</u> heeds <u>Diffidence</u>'s counsel and takes <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> out to castle-yard and show them <u>Bones and Skulls</u> of those previously dispatched.
  - 1. <u>Giant Despair</u> beats them and warns them that past Pilgrims were dispatched after ten days and they would see same fate.
- G. Giant Despair begins to doubt that he could end them by Blows or Counsel.
  - 1. **<u>Diffidence</u>** wonders if they live in hope of rescue or have ability to open lock.
  - 2. Agrees to search them in the morning.
- H. Christian and Hopeful escape Doubting-Castle.
  - 1. Prayed from Midnight till morning.
  - 2. <u>Christian</u> realizes he has key called <u>Promise</u> that he is persuaded will open any lock in <u>Doubting-Castle</u>.
  - 3. Key called **Promise** opens easily door of dungeon, of castle-yard and finally more difficultly, the Iron Gate.
  - 4. Iron Gate creaked when opened and waking **Giant Despair** but his fits caused him to stumble.
- I. Christian and Hopeful erect a pillar at the Stile to warn of danger.
  - 1. "Over this Stile is the way to Doubting-Castle, which is kept by Giant Despair, who despises the King of the Celestial Country, and seeks to destroy his Holy Pilgrims."

#### XXVII. Christian and Hopeful at the Delectable Mountains

- A. Belong to the **Lord of the Hill**.
- B. Beheld the **Gardens**, **Orchards**, **Vineyards**, and **Fountains**.
- C. Ate, drank and washed freely.

#### D. **Shepherds** tell of **Delectable Mountains**.

- 1. Called **Emmanuel's Land**.
- 2. Within view of **Celestial City**.
- 3. Sheep are the **Lord**'s and He laid down **His Life** for them.
  - a. [John 10.11]- I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

## E. Shepherds tell of the Way to Celestial City.

- 1. **The Way** is too far for any, but those that shall get there.
- 2. **The Way** is safe for **Pilgrims** but **Transgressors** shall fall therein.
  - a. [Hosea 14.9]- Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? Prudent, and he shall know them? For the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.
- 3. **Shepherds** are there to offer relief to weary **Pilgrims**.
  - a. [Hebrews 13.1-3]- Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.
- F. Shepherds ask Christian and Hopeful of their past travels and then welcome them.
  - 1. Shepherds named Knowledge, Experience, Watchful, and Sincere.
  - 2. Offer them tents and invite them to stay for a while.
  - 3. Shepherds show **Christian** and **Hopeful Wonders** 
    - a. Top of the **<u>Hill Error</u>** where many men seen dashed to pieces at bottom of steep hill.
      - 1.) Those hearkening to **Hymeneus** and **Philetus**.
        - a.) Errors concerning Faith and Resurrection of the Body
        - b.) [2 Timothy 2.17-18]- And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymeneus and Philetus; Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.
        - c.) Remain unburied as an **Example** for others to take heed how they clamber too high or come too near to the brink of the **Mountain**
    - b. Top of the **Mountain Caution**.
      - 1.) Shown **Blind Men** stumbling among **Tombs**.
        - a.) <u>Blind men</u> once <u>Pilgrims</u> going way of <u>By-Path-Meadow</u> and caught by <u>Giant Despair</u> and imprisoned in **Doubting-Castle**.
        - b.) Giant Despair plucked out their eyes and led them to Tombs to wander
        - c.) [Proverbs 21.16]- The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.
    - c. **By-way to Hell**.
      - 1.) For **Hypocrites**

- 2.) For those who sell their **Birthright** with **Esau**.
- 3.) For those who sell their **Master** with **Judas**.
- 4.) For those who **Blaspheme the Gospel** with **Alexander**.
- 5.) For those that **Lie and Dissemble** with **Ananias** and **Sapphira**.
- 6.) Each had a **show of Pilgrimage** for a long time.
- 7.) Christian and <u>Hopeful</u> see the need to cry to <u>the Strong</u> for <u>Strength</u>.
- d. Top of the Hill Clear
  - 1.) Gates of <u>Celestial City</u> through <u>Perspective-Glass</u>.
  - 2.) Remembrance of other **Wonders** caused them to shake in **Servile Fear** and not see clearly.
  - 3.) The see something like the <u>Celestial Gate</u> and also some of the <u>Glory of the Place</u>.
- G. Christian and Hopeful part with The Shepherds
  - 1. One **Shepherd** gives a **Note of the Way.**
  - 2. One **Shepherd** warns, "Beware of the Flatterer".
  - 3. One **Shepherd** bids, "Take Heed that they sleep not upon the Enchanted Ground".
  - 4. One **Shepherd** bids, "God Speed".

# XXVIII. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> first encounter <u>Ignorance</u>

- A. The country of **Conceit** below the mountains and to the left.
- B. Met with **Ignorance**, a brisk lad, coming down the crooked lane out of **Conceit**.
- C. Christian and Ignorance and the Ground of his Hope into the Gates of the Celestial City.
  - 1. Enter as other good people do.
  - 2. **Ignorance** knows his Lord's Will.
  - 3. **Ignorance** live a good life.
  - 4. Pay every man his own.
  - 5. Prays, Fasts, Tithes and gives Alms.
  - 6. Left his **own Country**.
- D. Christian warns him of counterfeit claims.
  - 1. Didn't come in through the Wicket-Gate.
  - 2. **Ignorance** will be laid charge as a **Thief** and a **Robber**.
- E. **Ignorance** will follow his own Religion and they may follow theirs.
- F. Christian acknowledges to Hopeful that Ignorance was wise in his own conceit.
  - 1. [Proverbs 26.12]- Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him.

- 2. [Ecclesiastes 10.3]- Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth him, and he saith to every one that he is a fool.
- 3. Christian and Hopeful leave Ignorance to his own to think upon what they said.

## XXIX. The terrifying end of **Turn-away**

- A. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> come to dark lane and meet man with <u>Seven Devils</u> binding him with <u>Seven Cords</u>.
  - 1. [Matthew 12.45]- Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.
  - 2. [Proverbs 5.22]- His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.
- B. Devils carrying man to door to **By-way to Hell**
- C. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> begin to tremble at sight
- D. <u>Christian</u> recognizes the bound man as <u>Turn-away</u> from the town of <u>Apostasy</u>.
- E. <u>Hopeful</u> looks back and sees a paper on <u>Turn-away</u>'s back with the inscription, <u>Wanton Professor</u>, and <u>Damnable Apostate</u>.

# XXX. The colorless testimony of <u>Little-Faith</u>

- A. Little-Faith from the town of Sincere.
- B. <u>Little-Faith</u> uses <u>Dead-man's Lane</u> coming from <u>Broad-way Gate</u>.
- C. He falls asleep in the lane and is attacked <u>3 Rogues</u>.
  - 1. Faint-heart "Deliver thy purse"
  - 2. <u>Mistrust</u> Ran up and thrust hand in pocket and took purse of **Silver**
  - 3. Guilt Struck Little-faint with a club
- D. Rogues fled thinking one **Great Grace** from the city of **Good-Confidence**.
- E. **Little-Faith** still had his **Jewels** and a little odd money.
  - 1. [1 Peter 4.18] And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?
- F. <u>Little-Faith</u> was forced to beg till <u>Journey's End</u>
- G. <u>Little-Faith</u> did not lose his <u>Certificate</u>, not out of cunning but <u>Providence</u>.
  - 1. <u>Little-Faith</u> felt dismay the rest of <u>the Way</u>.
  - 2. Upset over loss of money
  - 3. Didn't feel **Comfort** over not losing **Certificate** or **Jewels**.
  - 4. **Hopeful** wonders why **Little-Faith** didn't pawn some of the **Jewels** out of **Necessity**.
    - a. **Christian** rebukes **Hopeful** for unadvised speaking.

- 1.) For what shall he **Pawn** them?
- 2.) To whom shall he sell them?
- 3.) In that country, his **Jewels** were not accounted of.
- 4.) He did not want that **Relief** which could from thence be administered to him.
- 5.) Had his <u>Jewels</u> been missing at the <u>Gate</u> of the <u>Celestial City</u>, he would be excluded of his **Inheritance**.
- b. <u>Hopeful</u> questions <u>Christian</u> about difference between <u>Little-Faith</u> and <u>Esau</u> selling his birthright for pottage.
  - 1.) **Esau** sold his birthright but did so to exclude him from the chief blessing.
    - a.) [Genesis 25.32]- And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?
  - 2.) Esau's birthright was Typical but Little-Faith's Jewels were not.
  - 3.) Esau's God was his belly, appetites and Lusts but Little-Faith's was not.
  - 4.) <u>Little-Faith</u>'s lot was to have little faith, it was little faith that kept him from extravagancies and made him love his Jewels more.
  - 5.) **Esau** never had Faith so ruled by the Flesh.
  - 6.) **Esau** sold his birthright to the **Devil of Hell**.
    - a.) [Jeremiah 2.24]- A wild ass used to the wilderness, that snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.
  - 7.) Little-Faith's mind was on the Divine and his livelihood was upon things Spiritual.
    - a.) Will a man give a penny to fill his belly with hay?
    - b.) Can you persuade the turtledove to live upon carrion like the crow?
- H. Rogues were cowardly running from Great-Grace but Little-Faith more so in a trial.
  - 1. No great heart for **God** where there is little faith.
  - 2. One has more **Courage** farther away than closer.
  - 3. <u>Rogues</u> serve the <u>King of the Bottomless Pit</u> and will have his aid when called and his voice is as a <u>Roaring Lion</u>, but <u>Little-Faith</u> also has access to aid from his <u>King</u>.
    - a. [Psalm 5.8]- Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.
    - b. [Proverbs 28.15]- As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over the poor people.
  - 4. Christian also set upon by yet afraid even with the Armor of God.
  - Great-Grace is the <u>King's Champion</u> but not His subjects are His <u>Champions</u>.
  - 6. <u>Great-Grace</u> may have handled the <u>Rogues</u> but if <u>Faint-Heart</u>, <u>Mistrust</u> or <u>Guilt</u> had gotten inside they could have knocked <u>Great-Grace</u> up his heels.
    - a. Once **Great-Grace** said in battle, "We despaired even of Life."

- b. Rogues made David groan.
- c. **Heman** and **Hezekiah** as well.
- d. Peter afraid of a sorry girl.
- e. [Job 41.26]- The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.
- f. [Job 39.19]- Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?
- I. Two things we must do when we hear of **Robberies** on the **King's Highway**.
  - 1. Go out harnessed and with a **Shield**.
    - a. [Ephesians 6.16]- Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
  - 2. A convoy with the King Himself.
    - a. [Exodus 33.15]- And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.
    - b. [Psalm 3.5-8]- I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly. Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah.
    - c. [Psalm 27.1-3]- The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.
    - d. [Isaiah 10.4]- The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

#### XXXI. Christian and Hopeful snared by the Flatterer

- A. Christian and Hopeful came upon another way as straight as their Way.
- B. **Flatterer** comes with black of flesh and light robe.
- C. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> follow the <u>Flatterer</u> along the other way
  - 1. The way slowly turned in **Degrees**.
  - 2. **Christian** and **Hopeful** led into a **Net.**
  - 3. **Flatterer's** robe falls off and they see him for what he is.
  - 4. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> remembers the <u>Shepherd's Warnings</u> and <u>Directions</u>.
    - a. [Proverbs 29.5]- A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.
    - b. [Psalm 17.4]- Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

- D. Christian and Hopeful are spared by a Shining One.
  - 1. **Shining One** describes the **Flatterer**, he with the **Whip**.
    - a. A false Apostle
    - b. Transformed himself into an Angel of Light.
    - c. [Daniel 11.32]- And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.
    - d. [2 Corinthians 11.13-14]- For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
- E. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> are convicted of Forgetfulness.
  - 1. **Shining One** asked if they had received a **Note of Direction** from the **Shepherds**.
  - 2. **Shining One** asked if they had received a **Warning** "Beware of the Flatterer" from the **Shepherds**.
  - 3. **Christian** and **Hopeful** did not think the *fine spoken man* was the **Flatterer**.
  - 4. **Christian** and **Hopeful** are released from the **Net** and whipped for sins.
    - a. [Romans 6.18]- Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.
    - b. [Deuteronomy 25.2]- And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.
    - c. [2 Chronicles 6.26-27]- When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; yet if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou dost afflict them; Then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk; and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.
    - d. [Revelation 3.19]- As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

#### XXXII. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> meet returning <u>Atheist</u>.

- A. Atheist's coming to them with his back to Zion
- B. Christian and Hopeful wary of Atheist thinking him another Flatterer.
- C. Atheist has great Laugh at their going to Mt Zion.
  - 1. Called ignorant persons
  - 2. Tedious journey
  - 3. Nothing but pains in Travel
  - 4. Celestial City doesn't exist in all of the world
    - a. **Christian** replies, "But there is in the World to come."
  - 5. Atheist had been searching for twenty years

- a. [Jeremiah 22.13]- Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; that useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;
- b. [Ecclesiastes 10.15]- The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.
- 6. Atheist returning with contentment in the world.
- D. Christian asks Hopeful concerning Atheist
  - 1. **Hopeful** warns that **Atheist** is one of the **Flatterers**
  - 2. Reminder of the cost for harkening such as **Atheist**
  - 3. Sight of **Gate of the City** at **Delectable Mountains**
  - 4. We are to walk by **Faith** 
    - a. [2 Corinthians 5.7]- For we walk by faith, not by sight:
  - 5. Remembrance of former Chastisement
  - 6. **Hopeful** says that **Christian** should be teaching him the lesson
    - a. [Proverbs 19.27]- Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge.
    - b. [Hebrews 10.39]- But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.
  - 7. <u>Christian</u> tells <u>Hopeful</u> that he knew the answers but questioned <u>Hopeful</u> for another purpose.
    - a. To prove **Hopeful**
    - b. To fetch from **Hopeful** the Fruit of honesty of his heart
    - c. [1 John 2.11,21]- But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes. I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

## XXXIII. Christian and Hopeful cross the Enchanted Ground

- A. **Hopeful** drowsy
  - 1. **Hopeful** begins to feel drowsy and asks **Christian** to rest awhile.
  - 2. <u>Christian</u> reminds <u>Hopeful</u> of warning of the <u>Shepherds</u>, "Beware the Enchanted Ground."
    - a. [1 Thessalonians 5.6]- Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.
  - 3. **Hopeful** thankful for **Christian's** warning
    - a. [Ecclesiastes 4.9]- Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.
- B. **Hopeful** testifies to his conversion at **Vanity Fair** 
  - 1. Had continued in the delights of **Vanity Fair**.
    - a. Treasures and riches of the world.

- b. Rioting, reveling, drinking, swearing, lying, uncleanness, Sabbath-breaking.
- 2. Heard of things **Divine** from **Christian** and **Faithful** 
  - a. **Faithful** put to death for his faith and good living.
  - b. The end of these things is **<u>Death</u>**.
    - 1.) [Romans 6.21-23]- What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
    - 2.) [Ephesians 5.6]- Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.
  - c. Not initially under the **Conviction of Sin** and shuts his eyes to **the Truth**.
    - 1.) **Ignorant** that the **Conviction of Sin** was the working of God.
    - 2.) Sin was still very sweet to the Flesh and was not willing to leave it.
    - 3.) Could not part with his old companions
    - 4.) Conviction of Sin was troubling and heart wrenching.
  - d. **Sins** brought back to mind.
    - 1.) Meet a good man in the street.
    - 2.) Heard or read the Bible.
    - 3.) Head began to ache.
    - 4.) Neighbors were sick.
    - 5.) Heard the bell toll for some who were dead
    - 6.) Thought of dying himself.
    - 7.) Sudden **Death** would happen to others.
    - 8.) Thought of quickly coming to **Judgment**.
  - e. **Hopeful** getting off the **Guilt of Sin**.
    - 1.) They got faster hold of **Conscience**
    - 2.) Endeavoring to mend life.
    - 3.) Fled from sinful company
    - 4.) Took to religious duties-Praying, reading, weeping for Sin, speaking Truth to neighbors.
    - 5.) Trouble returned over **Reformations**.
    - 6.) **Reformations** were his own righteousness.
      - a.) [Isaiah 64.6]- But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.
      - b.) [Galatians 2.16]- Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be

- justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
- c.) [Luke 17.10]- So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.
- d.) Tis a folly to think of **Heaven** by **the Law**.
- 7.) **Hopeful** applying folly of his own **Works of Righteousness.** 
  - a.) Because of **Sins** ran into **God's Book**.
  - b.) Reforming not able to pay the **Score.**
  - c.) How **Hopeful** shall be freed from **Damnation**.
  - d.) Have committed Sin enough in one duty to damn.
  - e.) Remembered <u>Faithful</u> saying, "Unless he obtain the <u>Righteousness</u> of a man that never had sinned" neither can **Hopeful's** own nor All the Righteousness in the World save him.
  - f.) **Hopeful** believed him after he was able to see his own infirmity and the Sin cleaved to him.
  - g.) Hopeful told by Faithful that it was the Lord Jesus who was Man who never sinned.
    - 1.) [Hebrews 10.12]- But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;
    - 2.) [Romans 4.24-25]- But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.
    - 3.) [Colossians 1.13-14]- Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:
    - 4.) [1 Peter 1.18-19]- Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot
    - 5.) **Jesus** was the **Mighty God** and died not for Himself but for us.
    - 6.) **Hopeful's** doubts of **Acceptance** 
      - a.) <u>Hopeful's</u> concern of <u>Presumption</u>-<u>Faithful's</u> answer of <u>Jesus'</u> invitation in <u>His Book</u>.
      - b.) [Matthew 11.28]- Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
      - c.) [Matthew 24.35]- Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.
      - d.) [Psalm 95.6]- O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
      - e.) [Daniel 6.10]- Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he

- kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.
- f.) [Jeremiah 29.12]- Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.
- 7.) Faithful's direction to go to His Mercy-Seat for Pardon and Forgiveness.
  - a.) [Exodus 25.22]- And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.
  - b.) [Leviticus 16.2]- And the Lord said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the vail before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.
  - c.) [Numbers 7.8-9]- And four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none: because the service of the sanctuary belonging unto them was that they should bear upon their shoulders.
  - d.) [Hebrews 4.16]- Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
  - e.) **<u>Faithful</u>** continues to pray though tempted to cease.
    - 1.) [Habakkuk 2.3]- For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
  - f.) **Faithful** showed **God's Son** while in grief over **Sin**.
    - 1.) [Ephesians 1.18-19]- The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
    - 2.) [Acts 16.30-31]- And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.
    - 3.) [2 Corinthians 12.9]- And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
    - 4.) [John 6.35, 37]- And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.
    - 5.) [1 Timothy 1.15]- This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

- 6.) [Romans 10.4]- For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.
- 7.) [Hebrews 7.24-25]- But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.
- g.) The effect of the **Revelation of Christ** on **Faithful's** spirit.
  - 1.) The **World** in **Condemnation**
  - 2.) Though **God** is **Just**, He can justly justify **the Sinner**.
  - 3.) Shame over vileness of former life.
  - 4.) Sense of his own ignorance.
  - 5.) Love for a **Holy Life**.
  - 6.) Longing to do something in the honor and glory of the name of **Jesus Christ**.
  - 7.) Willingness to spill own blood for **Christ**.
- C. Closer re-acquaintance is made with Young **Ignorance**.
  - 1. **Ignorance** preferred walking in solitary than some company.
  - 2. **Ignorance** standing before God dependent on good motions.
    - a. Thinking on **God** and **Heaven** 
      - 1.) Christian replies, "So do the Devils and damned souls."
    - b. Think of them and desire them.
      - 1.) So does the soul of the **Sluggard**.
      - 2.) [Proverbs 13.4]- The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.
    - c. Think of them and leave all for them.
      - 1.) **Ignorance's** heart tells him so.
      - 2.) [Proverbs 28.26]- He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.
    - d. <u>Ignorance's</u> heart not an evil one but a good one because it hopes in heaven.
      - 1.) Christian replies, "That may be through its <u>Deceitfulness</u>."
    - e. **Ignorance** says that his Heart and Life agree together.
      - 1.) "My Heart tells me so."
      - 2.) <u>Christian</u> replies, "Ask my Fellow, if I be a Thief?" Except the Word of God bears witness in this matter, other testimony is of no value.
    - f. <u>Ignorance</u> asks, "Is it not a good Heart that has good Thoughts? Is not that a good Life that is according to God's Commandments?"
      - 1.) One thing to have these things and another only to think so.

- g. **Ignorance** asks what counts as good thought and life.
  - 1.) Good thoughts respecting us that agrees with the **Word of God**.
  - 2.) We pass the same Judgment on ourselves as does the **Word of God**.
    - a.) [Romans 3.10-11]- As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.
    - b.) [Genesis 6.5]- And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
  - 3.) The **Word** passes **Judgment** on not only our Hearts but our **Ways**.
    - a.) [Psalm 125.5]- As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: but peace shall be upon Israel.
    - b.) [Proverbs 2.15]- Whose ways are crooked, and they froward in their paths:
    - c.) [Romans 3.12]- They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.
  - 4.) Good thoughts concerning God when in agreement with **His Word**.
    - a.) Concerning **His Being** and **Attributes**
    - b.) His knowledge of us better than ourselves.
    - c.) He can see **Sin** in us when we see none.
    - d.) He knows our innermost thoughts and our heart is open to Him.
    - e.) When we think that our **<u>Righteousness</u>** stinks in His nostrils and that he cannot abide with us.
- 3. **Ignorance** believes in **Christ** for **Justification**.
  - a. Christian replies, "How can Ignorance believe in Christ if he doesn't see the need of Him?"
    - 1.) He doesn't see his original or natural Infirmities.
    - 2.) He has such an opinion of himself that he doesn't need **Christ**.
  - b. <u>Ignorance's Confession of Faith</u>.
    - 1.) Christ died for Sinners
    - 2.) He is justified before <u>God</u> from the <u>Curse</u> through His gracious acceptance of his obedience to **His Law**.
    - 3.) <u>Christ makes <u>Ignorance's</u> duties, that are religious, acceptable to the <u>Father</u> by virtue of <u>His Merits</u> and so he shall be justified.</u>
- 4. <u>Christian's reply to Ignorance's Confession of Faith.</u>
  - a. His is a **fantastical Faith**, for this faith is not supported by **God's Word**
  - b. He believes with a false <u>Faith</u>, because it takes Justification from the <u>Personal Righteousness of Christ</u> and applies it to his own.
  - c. His <u>Faith</u> doesn't make <u>Christ</u> a justifier of his person, but of his actions; and of your person, for they actions sake, which is false.

- d. His **Faith** is deceitful, leaving him under **Wrath**.
- e. True <u>Justifying Faith</u> leaves the <u>Soul</u> flying for refuge in <u>Christ's Righteousness</u>.
- 5. <u>Ignorance's</u> concern of <u>Sin</u> abounding when <u>Grace</u> much more abounds.
- 6. **<u>Hopeful</u>** asks if **<u>Ignorance</u>** ever had **<u>Christ</u>** revealed to him from **<u>Heaven</u>**.
- 7. **Ignorance** calls **Hopeful** a man for **Revelations** and they both have distracted minds.
  - a. <u>Hopeful</u> replies that <u>Christ</u> is so hid in <u>God</u> from our natural apprehensions of all **Flesh** that <u>He</u> cannot be known by man unless revealed by *God* 
    - 1.) [Matthew 11.27]- All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.
    - 2.) [1 Corinthians 12.3]- Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.
    - 3.) [Ephesians 1.18-19]- The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- 8. <u>Christian</u> and Hopeful talk about others like <u>Ignorance</u> who are lacking in <u>Wisdom</u>.
  - a. Abundance in town, even whole families in same condition.
  - b. [John 12.40]- He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.
  - c. "Have they no time for Conviction of Sin?"
    - 1.) Fear tends much to men's good.
    - 2.) [Job 28.8]- The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.
    - 3.) [Psalm 111.10]- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.
    - 4.) [Proverbs 1.7]- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.
    - 5.) [Proverbs 9.10]- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.
  - d. The Right Fear
    - 1.) Caused by **Conviction of Sin**.
    - 2.) Drives the Soul to hold fast to **Christ**.
    - 3.) Begins and continues in the soul a **Reverence to God**, **His Word** and **Ways**.
  - e. Ignorance causes men to not see fear from convictions as for their good.
    - 1.) They believe the fears are wrought by the **Devil.**
    - 2.) They believe the fears will spoil their **Faith**,
    - 3.) They believe they ought not to fear and so turn to presumptuous confidence.

- 4.) The see that fears take them away from their **Self-Holiness**.
- D. Christian recalls his acquaintance with Temporary
  - 1. **Temporary** from town of **Graceless**.
    - a. Town of **Graceless** near town of **Honesty**.
    - b. **Temporary** lived next door to **Turnback**.
    - c. <u>Temporary</u> had some sight of his Sins.
      - 1.) It is not everyone that cries, "Lord, Lord..."
      - 2.) **Temporary** was about to go on Pilgrimage until he met **Saveself**.
    - d. Reasons for backsliding
      - 1.) Consciences are awakened but minds are not changed.
        - a.) [2 Peter 2.22]- But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.
      - 2.) They have slavish fears that do over-master them.
        - a.) [Proverbs 29.25]- The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.
      - 3.) The **Shame** of **Religion** lies as a block in their way,
      - 4.) **Guilt** and **Terror** are grievous to them.
    - e. Manner of backsliding.
      - 1.) They draw off their thoughts of **God**, **Death** and **Judgment**.
      - 2.) They cast off in degrees private duties, like <u>Closet-Prayer</u>, <u>Curbing their Lusts</u>, <u>Watching</u>, and <u>Sorrow for Sin</u>.
      - 3.) They shun the company of lively and warm Christians.
      - 4.) They then grow cold to public duties as **Hearing**, **Reading**, and **Godly Conference**.
      - 5.) They begin picking holes in coats of the Godly.
      - 6.) They begin associate themselves with carnal and loose and wanton men.
      - 7.) They have carnal and wanton discourses in secret and counting it as being honest.
      - 8.) They begin playing with little Sins openly.
      - 9.) Once hardened, they show themselves as they are.

## XXXIV. The comforting delights of **Beulah Land**

# A. Description of **Beulah Land**

- 1. Air was sweet and pleasant.
- 2. Singing of birds and the voice of turtles.
- 3. Flowers appeared each day.

- 4. Sun shined day and night.
- 5. [Isaiah 62.4]- Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.
- 6. [Song of Solomon 2.10-12]- My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;
- 7. Beyond the reach of dangers and hazards.
  - a. Valley of the Shadow of Death
  - b. Giant Despair and Doubting-Castle
- B. **Shining Ones** walking about.
- C. The **Contract** between the **Bride** and **Bridegroom** are renewed.
  - 1. [Isaiah 62.5, 8, 11-12]- For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee. The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured: Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.
- D. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> have perfect view of the <u>Celestial City</u> and fall sick with desire.
  - 1. [Song of Solomon 2.5]- Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love.
- E. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> partake in hospitality of <u>Gardener</u>.
  - 1. Orchards, vineyards and gardens.
  - 2. Planted for **<u>His</u>** own delight and the solace of **<u>Pilgrims</u>**.
  - 3. [Deuteronomy 23.24]- When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest eat grapes thy fill at thine own pleasure; but thou shalt not put any in thy vessel.
  - 4. Shown the **King's Walks** and **Arbors** where He delighted to be.
  - 5. Nature of the grapes of the vineyards to go down sweetly and causing the lips of them asleep to speak.
- F. Christian and Hopeful ready themselves for the Celestial City.
  - 1. Unable to view the Celestial City unassisted due to the reflection of the Sun.
    - a. [Revelation 21.18]- And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.
    - b. [2 Corinthians 3.18]- But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

#### XXXV. Christian and Hopeful encounter the River of Death

A. Met by two men in raiment shining like gold.

- 1. Tell them of 2 more **<u>Difficulties</u>** before they would enter into the <u>**Celestial City**</u>.
- 2. Men agree to come along but the Christian and Hopeful must obtain their way by their own Faith.
- 3. After arriving at the **River**, **Christian** and **Hopeful** inquire if there no other way around the **River**.
  - a. [1 Corinthians 15.51-52]- Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
  - b. There was a way but only for two, Enoch and Elijah.
  - c. They will find it deeper or shallower as you believe in the King of the Place.

#### B. Christian's Conflict at hour of Death.

- a. <u>Christian</u> begins to sink into river almost immediately.
- b. Christian calls out to Hopeful.
- c. **Hopeful** says to be of good cheer
- d. Christian says the sorrows of **Death** encompasses him
- e. **Christian** believes he won't see the Land that flows with Milk and Honey.
- f. Darkness and horror fell upon **Christian**.
- g. <u>Christian</u> loses his senses and not remember or talk of sweet refreshments.
- h. Christian continues to have Horror of Mind and Heart Fears.
  - 1.) That he would die in the River
  - 2.) That he would not have entrance into the Gate.
  - 3.) Remembrance of his Sins before and since becoming a Christian.
  - 4.) Troubled with apparitions of Hobgoblins and evil spirits.
- i. <u>Hopeful</u> tries to keep his head above the surface and comfort <u>Christian</u> directing him to the Gates and the men that wait for him there.
  - 1.) **Christian** believes they wait for **Hopeful** only
  - 2.) **Christian** thinks that if he were truly **Christ's** then He would come and help him.
  - 3.) **Christian's** Sins have brought him into a snare and left him.
- j. <u>Hopeful</u> directs <u>Christian</u> to <u>God's Word</u> concerning the Wicked.
  - 1.) [Psalm 73.4-5]- For there are no bands in their death: but their strength is firm. They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men.
  - 2.) Waters are not a sign of God forsaking him but sent to try him and to see if he remembers God's Goodness even in Distresses.
  - 3.) **Hopeful** says, "Be of Good Cheer. Jesus Christ maketh thee whole."
- k. Christian looks and sees Christ again.
  - 1.) [Isaiah 43.2]- When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

2.) <u>Christian</u> is left alone by the <u>Enemy</u> and he finds Ground and the rest of the River was shallow.

#### XXXVI. Christian and Hopeful are welcomed into Heaven

- A. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> encounter two <u>Shining Men</u> after getting to the other bank of the <u>River</u>.
  - 1. [Hebrews 12.1]- Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?
- B. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> climb the <u>Hill</u> to the <u>Gate</u> with ease.
  - 1. **Shining Ones** took them by the arm
  - 2. Put off their **Mortality** (mortal garments) at the **River**.
  - 3. Climbed the <u>Hill</u> with agility and speed though the <u>Foundation of the City</u> was higher than the clouds.
  - 4. **Christian** and **Hopeful** take to the air with the **Shining Ones** and talking.
    - 1. Comforted by getting over the **River**
    - m. Glory and beauty of the **Place** was inexpressible.
    - n. [Hebrews 12. 22-24]- But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.
    - o. Going to the **Paradise of God** and see the **Tree of Life** and eat of **never fading Fruits**.
      - 1.) [Revelation 2.7]- He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.
    - p. They shall have **White Robes**
    - f. They shall speak with the **King** everyday to everlasting.
      - 1.) [Revelation 3.4]- Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.
    - g. They shall not see the things as in the lower regions.
      - 1.) Sorrow, Sickness, Affliction and Death.
      - 2.) [Isaiah 65.16-17]- That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes. For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.
    - h. They shall see **Abraham**, **Isaac**, **Jacob** and the **Prophets**; men God had taken way from the Evil to come.
      - 1.) [Isaiah 57.1-2]- The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

- i. What they shall do in the City.
  - 1.) They shall receive **Comfort** of their **Toil**
  - 2.) They shall receive **Joy** for their **Sorrow**
  - 3.) They must **Reap** what they have **Sown**.
    - a.) [Galatians 6.7]- Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.
  - 4.) They must wear **Crowns of Gold**.
  - 5.) They shall enjoy the **Vision of the Holy One**.
    - a.) [1 John 3.2]- Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
  - 6.) They shall serve Him continually with <u>Praise</u>, <u>Shouting</u>, <u>Thanksgiving</u> whom they desired to serve in the World though with difficulty because of the Infirmity of the Flesh
  - 7.) Their eyes will delight in seeing and ears with hearing the pleasant **Voice of the Mighty One**.
  - 8.) They shall enjoy their friends again both gone before and come after.
  - 9.) They shall also be clothed and equipped with **Glory** and **Majesty**.
  - 10.) They shall sit with <u>Him</u> in <u>Glory</u> and <u>Judge</u> those workers of <u>Iniquity</u> when the <u>Trumpet</u> calls.
    - a.) [Jude 14]- And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,
    - b.) [Daniel 7.9-10]- I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.
    - c.) [1 Corinthians 6.2-3]- Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?
  - 11.) They shall return with <u>Him</u> to the <u>City</u> at the sound of the <u>Trumpet</u>.
    - a.) [1 Thessalonians 4.13-17]- But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- C. Christian and Hopeful met by Heavenly Host.
  - 1. Men who loved the **Lord** when they were in the **World**.

- 2. Men who left for **His Holy Name**.
- 3. [Revelation 19.9]- And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.
- 4. The **King's Trumpeters** also meet them.
- D. Christian and Hopeful come to the Gate of the Celestial City.
- E. They read the **Writing in Gold** above the **Gate**.
  - 1. [Revelation 22.14]- Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
- F. Witness born by **Enoch**, **Moses** and **Elijah**.
  - 1. **Pilgrims** come from the **City of Destruction**.
  - 2. Love they bear for the **King**.
- G. Christian and Hopeful give Men at the Gate their Certificate.
  - 1. **Certificates** carried to the **King**.
  - 2. **King** asks where the men who had the **Certificates** are.
  - 3. Gates were ordered open for the **Pilgrims**.
  - 4. [Isaiah 26.2]- Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.
- H. **Christian** and **Hopeful** enter into the **Gates**.
  - 1. Transfigured
  - 2. Golden Raiment
  - 3. Given Harps and Crowns for praising and for honor.
  - 4. Bells in City rang for Joy.
  - 5. [Matthew 25.21]- His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
  - 6. [Revelation 5.13-14]- And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.
  - 7. <u>Christian</u> and <u>Hopeful</u> see the <u>City</u> shine like the sun, <u>Streets of Gold</u> and many men with <u>Crowns</u>, <u>Palms</u> and <u>Harps</u>.

#### XXXVII. The fearful end of **Ignorance**

- A. Use of Ferry-man **Vain-Hope** to cross the river with ease.
- B. Came alone to the **Gate** and no one meeting him and encouraging him.
- C. Read the Writing on the **Gate** and knocked, thinking it would be opened to him.

- D. Men above the **Gate** ask Ignorance what he would have.
  - 1. **Ignorance** ate and drank in Presence of the **King**.
  - 2. Heard <u>Him</u> teach in the streets.
  - 3. Fumbled looking for his **Certificate** for them to show to the King but he had none.
- E. The Two <u>Shining Ones</u> bound and carried <u>Ignorance</u> to another <u>By-way to Hell</u> near the <u>Gate</u> of <u>Celestial City</u> and put him inside.