

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON. The Queens of Home.

"There are three-score queens." Solomon's Song, 6: 8.

So Solomon, by one stroke, set forth the imperial character of a true Christian woman. She is not a slave, not a hireling, not a subordinate, but a queen.

COMFORTING THE SICK. What land, what street, what house, has not felt the smitings of disease?

"O woman, in our hours of ease, Uncertain, coy and hard to please; When pain and anguish wrings the brow, A ministering angel thou."

I think the most pathetic passage in all the Bible is the description of the lad who went out to the harvest field of Shunem and got sunstroke.

THE MINISTRIES OF HOME. I know one such who went away from one of the brightest of homes, for several weeks' business absence at the West.

IN OUR LAST DREAFFUL WAR. men cast the cannon, men fashioned the musketry, men cried to the hosts, "Forward, march!"

GOD BLESS THE WOMEN at home; then sitting down to take the last message: "Tell my wife not to fret about me, but to meet me in heaven."

CARE OF THE POOR. There are hundreds and thousands of them a-croak on the land. There is a kind

of work that men cannot do for the poor. Here comes a group of little barefoot children to the door of the Dorcas society.

AMONG THE DESTITUTE. A loaf of bread or a bundle of socks may make a homely loaf to carry, but the angels of God will come out to watch.

THE HAUNTS OF INIQUITY. on a Christian errand, never meets with any indignity? I stood in the chapel of Helen Chalmers, the daughter of the celebrated Dr. Chalmers.

SOLICITATION OF CHARITIES. Backed up by barrels in which there is no flour, and by stoves in which there are no clothes, a woman is irresistible.

RIGHT TO COMFORT under the stress of dire disaster. She is called the weaker vessel; but all profane as well as the sacred history attests that when the crisis comes she is better prepared than man to meet the emergency.

A CRISIS IN YOUR AFFAIRS. You struggled bravely and long; but after a while there came a day when you said, "Here I shall have to stop;"

and you called in your partners, and you called in the most prominent men in your employ, and you said: "We have got to stop."

GOD SENT A DEBORAH to meet the host of the Amalekites and scatter them like chaff over the plain. There are sometimes women who sit reading sentimental novels and who wish that they had some grand field in which to display their Christian powers.

BRING TO US THE KINGDOM. It is easier for a woman to be a Christian than for a man. Why? You say she is weaker. No. Her roundings of that place, "Do you come here at nights to hold a service?"

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THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT. He delivered me, because he delighted in me. —Psa. 18: 19.

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THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS. He is able to succor them that are tempted. —Heb. 2: 18.

JESUS IN GALILEE. The people which sat in darkness saw great light. —Matt. 4: 16.

THE BEATITUDES. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. —John 1: 17.

JESUS AND THE LAW. Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. —Matt. 5: 17.

the specific rights of woman is, through the grace of Christ, finally to reach heaven. O, what a multitude of WOMAN IN HEAVEN!

Mary, Christ's mother, in heaven, Elizabeth in heaven, Charlotte Elizabeth in heaven, the mother of Augustine in heaven, the Countess of Huntingdon—who sold her splendid jewels to build chapels—in heaven, while a great many others, who have been heard of on earth, or known but little, have gone into the rest and peace of heaven.

A BANQUET. and He will invite all the principalities of heaven to sit at the feast, and the tables will be set with the best clusters from the vineyards of God and crimson with the twelve manner of fruit from the Tree of Life, and waters from the fountain of the rock will flash from the golden tankards, and the old harpers of heaven will sit there, making music with their harps, and Christ will point you out, amid the celebrities of heaven, saying: "She suffered with Me on earth, now we are going to be glorified together."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON. SUNDAY, SEPT. 25, 1887. Third Quarterly Review. HOME READINGS.

Monday, Sept. 19: Lesson I., Matt. 2: 1-12; Lesson II., Matt. 2: 13-23. Tuesday, Sept. 20: Lesson III., Matt. 3: 1-12; Lesson IV., Matt. 3: 13-17.

Wednesday, Sept. 21: Lesson V., Matt. 4: 1-11; Lesson VI., Matt. 4: 12-25. Thursday, Sept. 22: Lesson VII., Matt. 5: 1-16; Lesson VIII., Matt. 5: 17-26.

Friday, Sept. 23: Lesson IX., Matt. 6: 1-15; Lesson X., Matt. 6: 24-34. Saturday, Sept. 24: Lesson XI., Matt. 7: 1-12; Lesson XII., Matt. 7: 13-29.

Sunday, Sept. 25: The King in Zion. Psalms 2: 1-12. TITLES AND GOLDEN TEXTS.

GOLDEN TEXT FOR THE QUARTER: Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. —Psa. 2: 6.

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LESSON 2.—Superintendent: Now when they were departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I tell thee: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

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LESSON 5.—Superintendent: Again, the devil taketh him unto an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and he said unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

LESSON 6.—Superintendent: And Jesus went about in all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people.

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Parental Love of the Spider. The parental love of the spider is very strong. The female carries, suspended on her legs, a small bag containing the eggs, which resemble white glass beads.

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