

PREFACE.

“HITHERTO hath the LORD helped us.” These words come to our mind as we sit down to pen the Preface to the one hundred and fifty-seventh volume of THE GOSPEL MAGAZINE. He hath helped us to write for and to edit the Magazine. He hath helped our fellow-contributors in their work of faith and labour of love. He hath helped our publisher in the many duties which he performs in connection with the Magazine. He hath helped our printers to do their work well and punctually even when a strike of printers took place. He hath helped us in disposing a large number of our readers, poor as well as rich, to send to us greatly-needed donations for THE GOSPEL MAGAZINE Fund. How helpless we should all have been without His help. We must give to Him, therefore, the whole glory for His enabling grace, His guiding hand, and His providing mercies during another year. We thank Him for many cheering testimonies to the value of the Magazine which have come to us from many of His lonely, tried and scattered people. We rejoice to hear of new subscribers, and we praise His Name for keeping alive the testimony of this Magazine for so long a period.

Truly He hath helped us, and our help is still in the name of the LORD Who hath made heaven and

earth. Through Him we shall still do great acts. By His help we will still go forward with faith and hope and courage. The growing apostasy from the old truths needs our testimony, and the LORD can enable us to give it faithfully, uncompromisingly and lovingly. We stand for an inspired and wholly trustworthy Bible from Genesis to Revelation. We believe in the FATHER'S eternal and electing love, in the SON'S redeeming grace, and in the SPIRIT'S regenerating power. We believe that the Church of GOD was Divinely chosen in eternity, redeemed in time, and that all its members, having been washed, sanctified and justified, will finally be for ever glorified with their Divine LORD and MASTER. We repudiate the novel doctrines of Anglo-Catholicism, Neo-Evangelicalism and Modernism; and by the help of our Covenant GOD we will still contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. We ask all our readers to help our Trustees and our esteemed fellow-workers with their prayers, and we send to them all at home and abroad our warm Christian greetings.

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