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Of my Father in Heaven;  
And stand complete in righteousness,  
And in my Saviour's blood;  
There shall I see a new Heaven,  
When I awake from death,  
Drest in the likeness of thy Son,  
And draw immortal breath.

PSALM XVII. Long Metre.  
*The Sinner's Portion, and Saint's Hope; or,  
The Heaven of separate Souls, and the  
Resurrection.*

Lord, I am thine: But thou wilt prove  
My faith, my patience, and my love;  
When men of spite against me join,  
They are the sword, the hand is thine.  
Their hope and portion lie below;  
All the happiness they know,  
As all they seek; they take their shares,  
And leave the rest among their heirs.

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*Deliverance from Despair; or, Temptation  
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THEE will I love, O Lord, my strength,  
My rock, my tower, my high defence;  
Thy mighty arm shall be my trail,  
For I have found salvation thence.  
2. Death, and the terrors of the grave,  
Stood round me with their dismal shade,  
While floods of high temptations rose,  
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## THREE FALSE CLAIMS FROM THOSE WHO DENY THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE:

1. If a document is written to promote belief, then it cannot be true...*because every religious person is biased* (John 20:30-31).

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2. If a recorded event is miraculous, then it cannot be true...*because every event must be confined to what can be observed or correlated in our own time* (2 Corinthians 5:7).

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## THREE FALSE CLAIMS FROM THOSE WHO DENY THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE:

3. If a statement is repeated as truth by a wide variety of religious sources, then it cannot be true...*because everything is a part of a "grand conspiracy."*

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REALITIES THOSE WHO ARE  
DEFENDING THE WORD  
MUST FACE:

1. ILLITERACY

2. SUSPICION

3. SCORN

I shall behold thy works, O LORD, and shall be complete in righteousness.  
And thy ways shall be as straight as a plummet line.  
But the bright world to which I go  
Hath joys substantial and free,  
When shall I wake, and find me there?

O blest abode!  
And thou art the ground,  
Till the chains with sweet surprise,  
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise,  
And in my Saviour's image rise.

PSALM XVIII. FIRST PART.  
Metre. Ver. 1,—6, 15,—18.

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PSALM XVII. Long Metre.  
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The Heaven of Separation.  
Resurrection.  
O LORD, I am thy servant;  
My faith, my hope, my love,  
When men of spite against me join,  
They are the sword, the hand,  
Their hope and portion, they  
all the happiness they know,  
all they seek; they take their shares,  
leave the rest among their heirs.

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## SOME GOOD NEWS REGARDING GOD'S WORD

### 1. THE BIBLE IS AN ANCIENT SOURCE

(2 Peter 2:16; 1 John 1:1-4).

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### 3. THE BIBLE IS A GOD-BREATHED SOURCE

(John 10:35; 17:14-17).



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No flesh and in no more control  
The sacred pleasures of the soul.

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And burst the chains of sin and strife.  
Sweet surpriſe shall be my rife.

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