



Yours to serve in Him
C. H. Spurgeon

C. H. Spurgeon's Autobiography.

COMPILED FROM
HIS DIARY, LETTERS, AND RECORDS,

BY
HIS WIFE,
AND HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY.

"The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips; he walked with Me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity."—*Malachi* ii. 6.

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“Princeton,
 “New Jersey,
 “July 1st, 1879.

“Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon,
 “Dear Sir,

“I thank you very much for your kind note, relating to the *Outlines*, received yesterday. Your many friends, on this side of the ocean, have been anxious about your health, as we have received irregular, and imperfect, and perhaps irresponsible reports of it from time to time. I sincerely trust that it is re-established fundamentally and permanently. Yet I am sure that God has warned you, as the trusted steward of His gifts, not to work so hard and continuously.

“I send you, herewith, two of my father's papers, prepared for the Conferences held by the Professors and students, every Sabbath afternoon, in our Oratory. Nelson, of Edinburgh, has just published a volume containing 249 of them. These I send you are originals in my father's handwriting.

“May the Father, and the Son, and the Spirit, bless you with *all* blessings in Christ Jesus *our* Lord!

“Give my best respects to Mrs. Spurgeon.

“Yours sincerely,

“A. A. HODGE.”

Mr. Spurgeon's copy of Dr. A. A. Hodge's *Outlines of Theology* contains his autograph, and this entry in Mr. Spurgeon's handwriting :—“Autograph written in my study, Aug. 8, 1877.—C. H. S.”

Dr. Fergus Ferguson, of Glasgow, in thanking Mr. Spurgeon for the notice of his *Life of Christ*, wrote, in 1882 :—“You must be well-nigh overwhelmed with literary work alone,—not to speak of the pastoral. . . . I cannot close this letter, which I hope you will not think intrusive, without venturing to express my high admiration of your Christian worth and character, as well as my lofty estimate of the position which, in providence, you have been called to fill. The influence you wield, both by pulpit and press, in a perhaps unexampled degree in the annals of the Christian ministry, is to me the very zenith and *beau ideal* of what human influence should be. May you yet be long spared to wield such influence! God has chastened you not a little by personal and domestic affliction,—thus putting you into the highest class of His spiritual seminary, like the scholars whom Continental teachers call *privatissimi*,—those to whom they give advanced lessons in their own dwellings.”

In addition to the letters, manuscripts, photographs, and autographs of the