Ps. 116, 15—There are few psalms in the whole collection that are more instructive or animating than this, it is a song of thanksgiving composed probably by David, but whether in some particular occasion or upon a general review of the many gracious deliverances, God had brought for him, is not clear. He seems, however, when he wrote it, to have had an affecting sense of God's goodness to him and under a lively impression of it, he utters delightful praise and thanksgiving to God in the following language:

I who are meant here are saints.

1. The term saints here it is said may be rendered his merciful ones, or subjects of his mercy.

2. They are the object of his mercy, not only of his Spirit, but of his pardoning mercy. They have turned to him by repentance, therefore they are in Christ (Phil. 3:9, 1 Pet. 2:10).

3. They are the subjects of his mercy. Luke 1:78, 79, Ps. 31, 34. Eph. 2:10.

4. They are invokers of his mercy. Eph. 5:16, 2 Thess. 1.
This Caution is an inference from the preceding
parable of the Sower —
the parallel passage of St. It is take heed what ye hear.
(Ch. iv. 34) — We shall explain and enforce the caution
in both these senses.
I take heed what ye hear.
This concerns both preachers and hearers.
1. Preacher should take heed what they preach. That
their doctrine be true — important — suitable — rightly
divide the word —
2. Preacher should take heed what they hear.
They must not take it for granted what they
hear is true or. — Bring it to the test of the Holy Scrip-
tures — They should read the Scriptures.
3. They must take heed to the doctrine of scripture
words —

II. Take heed how ye hear.
1. Not inattentively — without matured and do not
meditate upon the word. Hence many receive the
word like the seed which fell by the way side.
2. Take heed that you do not rest sated with
the princes of the world — But have “root in yourself.”
3. Guard against the cares of the world. — For
permiscous words which choke the word.

But hear —
1. With simplicity of intention.
2. With sincerity of heart. (willing to know the
truth)
3. With humility —
4. With reverence — in feet house tenderly,
5. With seriousness. 6. With attention. I prayed
6. With faith. 9. Resolution — "down of the word"