ST. MATTHEW. X. 830—42.   
   
   
 for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the   
 ground without your Father. 80 But \*the very hairs of   
 your head are all numbered. 31 Fear ye not therefore, ye   
 are of more value than many sparrows. 32 © Whosoever   
 therefore shall confess me before men, » him will I confess   
 ‘b iif.   
 ¢ Mark vit algo before my Father which is in heaven. 53 But ° who-   
 soever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny be-   
 aLakexi.@ fore my Father which is in heaven, \* ¢ Think not that I   
 am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace,   
   
 \* Mraz but a sword. 85 For I am come to set a man \*at variance   
 silts." against his father, and the daughter against her mother,   
 and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 5¢\* And   
   
 b Luke man’s foes shall be they of his own household. 87> He   
 that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy   
 of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me   
 ech.xi.%. ig not worthy of me. 38 © And he that taketh not his cross,   
 @ Jobn 25. and followeth V after me, is not worthy of me. 894 He that   
 Y literally,   
 thing] Gr. w assarion. This word, de- it: and he that \*Joseth his life   
 W render, hath found.   
 . \* render, hath lost.   
   
 those who come after Him. The imme-   
 rived from ‘as,’ was used in Greek and diate reference to the divisions fami-   
 Hebrew to signify meanest, most insig- lies owing to conversions Christianity.   
 nificant fall on the Ver. 35 is quoted nearly literally   
 which birds do when strack violently, Micah vii. 6. When we read in Com-   
 when frozen, wet or starved: it there- mentators that these divisions were not   
 fore equivalent to die: “mot one of the purpose, but the inevitable results   
 them is forgotten before God,’ Luke only, of the Lord’s coming, we must   
 xi. 6. 30] See 1 Sam. xiv. 45: Luke peneriey that with God, resulés are all   
 xxi. 18: Acts xxvii. 34. The your is purposed. 87.) Com Deut.   
 emphatic, corresponding to the ye at the of me there lies exceeding to which   
 end of ver. 31. But the emphatic ye passages this verse is all tl seeming   
 spoken directly to the Apostles, is well remarks, saying. the words worthy   
 ralized immediately by the whosoever in strange must this prophetic announce-   
 ver. 82. 32. confess me} The context ment have seemed to the Apostles! It   
 shews plainly that it is practical was no Jewish proverb (for was   
 sistent confession is meant, and also not a Jewish punishment), no common   
 a practical enduring denial. The Lord saying, which our Lord here and so often   
 will not confess the confessing nor utters. See ch, xvi. 24: Mark x. 21:   
 deny the denying Peter; the traitor who Luke ix. 23. He does not here plainly   
 denied Him in act is denied: the Apostle mention His Cross; but leaves it to be   
 who confessed Him even to death will be understood, see ver. 26. This is one of   
 confessed. Cf. 2 Tim. ii. 12. We may those sayings of which John xii. 16 was   
 observe that both in the Sermon on the eminently true. his life. . .   
 Mount (ch. vii. and here, after refer to same thing, but in somewhat   
 mention of the Father, our Lord describes different senses. The first is the   
 Himself as the Judge and Arbiter of life of world, which we here all count   
 eternal life death. 34.) In Luke £0 dear to us; the implied in “ it,”   
 xii. 51—58 this announcement, os here, is the real life man in a blessed   
 closely connected with the of our hath found = “Joveth.” John xii.   
 Lord’s own sufferings (ver. As He   
 won His way to victory the con-   
 tradiction sinners and strife, must