~10—24. ST. LUKE. 883   
   
 ought not this woman, ‘being a daughter of Abraham, f¢b-xs.9.   
 whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, \* be   
 loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? 17 And t when   
 he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed :   
 and all the \* people rejoiced for all the glorious things that   
   
   
 were done by him. 18 8v Then said he, Unto what is the "Maina.   
 kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it.? ,   
 19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took,   
 and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a   
 [great] tree ;   
 branches of it. and the fowls of the air lodged in the   
 20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I   
 liken the kingdom of God? 21 It is like leaven, which a   
 woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the   
   
 whole was leavened.   
 22» And he went through the cities and villages, » Mott   
 teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. 23 Then said   
 one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved ? And   
   
 he said unto them, %'Strive to enter in at the strait met. vit.   
 "Brander, to be.   
 t render, while he was saying, or, on his saying, . . .   
 U render, multitude.   
 Y render, Thereupon.   
 W omitted by. several ancient authorities, but perhaps because it does not   
 occur in Matt. xiii, 82.   
 X read and render, the narrow door.   
 the circumstances. A beast a to the dicated in ver. The rendering there-   
 mal is confined down as this upon is important, pointing out the   
 pane was. 16.] The contrast ip nexion.   
 strongly drawn—between a dumb animal, 22—80.] ANSWER TO THE QUESTION   
 and (not merely a human creature, but) a 48 TO THE NUMBER WHO SHALL BE   
 daughter of Abraham—one of the chosen SAVED. Our Lord repeats, occasion   
 people (I cannot see any necessity for given by a question to Luke, parts   
 Spiritual daughtership [Ual. iii, being of His discourses spoken elsewhere, re-"   
 here implied),—between a few hours, since ferred to below. 22.] This notice in-   
 the last watering, and ‘lo eighteen cludes what follows the cycle this last   
 years’ (compare ver. 7, “ Behold these journey, but disclaims any definiteness   
 three yeare”....). 17.] So far am place or time for it. But certainly it   
 I from thinking a description this kind seems to follow natural order after our   
 to be a mere general close, in by the Lord’s solemn warnings to repentance at   
 Evangelist, that I would take it an ac- the beginning of this chapter. The   
 ‘curate and graphic account of the imme- enquirer can lly have a disciple   
 diate effect our Lord’s power irre- Jesus (see ver. but most likely a Jew   
 sistible words, the following parables JSrom the multitude, who had heard his   
 as spoken immediately thereupon, shewing discourses, and either from Jewish pride,   
 the people the ultimate which the or perhaps out of desire to from   
 Kingdom of God should obtain all op- Him, put this question. 28.) On the   
 position, however strong. On the bles word rendered that be saved, see note,   
 themselves, see on Matt. 31—:! Acts ii. Here, the implication final   
 reference to the two parables, found in- salvation is obvious. unto them, i.c.   
 Matthew as above, and the former them the multitude. Similar sayings have oc-   
 in Mark iv. 30—82, seem to have been curred in the Sermon on the Mount, but   
 again spoken by our Lord at this time, in the connexion here is intimate strict.   
 - 24.) See on Matt. vii. The de-