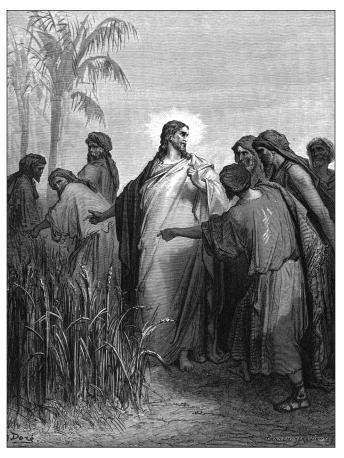
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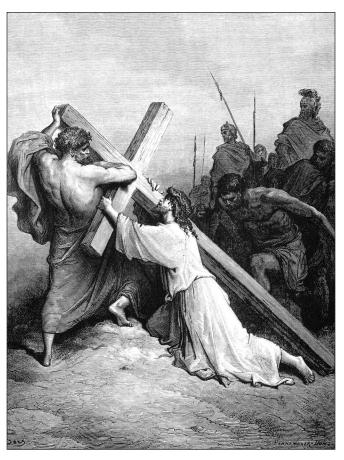
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"Are not all painful labors to be endured for everlasting life?

"It is no small matter to lose or gain the Kingdom of God.

"Lift up therefore thy face to Heaven. Behold, I, and all My saints with Me, who in this world have had a great conflict, do now rejoice, are now comforted, are now secure, are now at rest, and they shall for all eternity abide with Me in the Kingdom of My Father."

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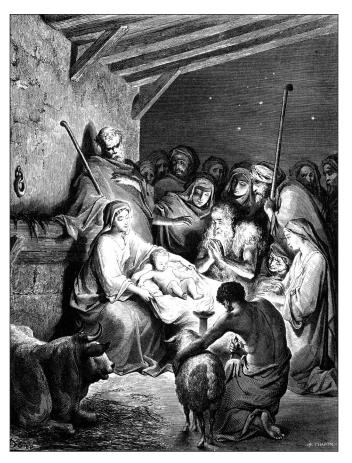
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