

CHAPTER 8: "THE ELF AND THE MINISTER"

WORDS

adduced	expatiating	proximity
antiquated	hallow	solemnity
bedizen	heed	sundering
benevolence	ignominy	tarry
betwixt	imbibe	temporal
borne	indue	tithing
caper (v.)	melancholy	tremulous
catechism	Papistry	type
comely	parable	unfeigned
creed	physiognomy	vehemence
depravity	pious	warily
emaciated	plumage	wont

QUESTIONS

1. Who are the other visitors at the Governor's house?
2. How much time has elapsed since the opening scene?
3. With what creatures of fantasy is Pearl continually compared?
4. How has Chillingworth changed since Hester last saw him? Who does he accompany?
5. Why does Rev. John Wilson question Pearl ?
6. How is Pearl linked with the Rose bush (perhaps the very rose bush in front of the prison)?
7. How is this metaphor apt to Pearl and Hester?
8. How has Rev. Dimmesdale changed since Hester's public humiliation?
9. Who pleads successfully for Hester to keep her child?
10. To which visitor does Pearl respond to lovingly?
11. What does Chillingworth want to do regarding Pearl's father?
12. How does the narrator reinforce the idea that Pearl saves Hester from greater iniquity?

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