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## Lost or Saved?

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief .-(1 Tim. 1. 15.)

DEAR FRIEND,-Has God's Holy Spirit shewn you that you are a sinner? What! you may ask, Can I not discover that I

am a sinner but by the light of the Holy Ghost?

I tell you frankly and at once that you cannot. I am free to acknowledge that, without the Holy Ghost, you can easily learn that you are a sinner from the word of God, or confess yourself a sinner in prayer; but to see yourself a sinner in the light of divine teaching, to feel it with a divinely enlightened conscience, and to realise the terrible fact, as in the very presence of the God of infinite holiness, and in reference to the

solemn realities of a coming eternity, is a matter of awful experience-not of mere learning or

customary confession!

Oh, how dreadful it would be were you convinced by the Holy Spirit that you are "condemned already," ruined lost, and in danger of hell every breath you draw! I wish you were so convinced: I pray God you may be, even this very moment; for were you to die an unpardoned sinner, (and you may die any moment,) you would lift up your eyes in hell, being in torment, and find yourself a sinner forever more where no Saviour ever comes!

Perhaps, you say, as another once did, "I admit I am a sinner, I know that I have sinned; but I cannot understand what you mean by saying that I am a lost sinner-a ruined sinner. I am not lost; I am not ruined, as you say."

would not be here. Bless God for that mercy. But if you are not lost, you can have nothing to do with the Saviour, for He has come "to seek to be condemned of Jesus, and sent away into another, and asked for prayer. These were foland to save that which was lost." Man, as soon as he fell, was lost for God's first question implies this: "Adam where art thou?" God, in grace, was seeking man at the fall, because he was lost; and God in Christ is seeking sinners still, just because they are lost.

you are ruined and lost, for you are "condemned any more!" already," and the wrath of God abideth upon are all sinners."

When D'Aubigne was a student, he heard of the Good Shepherd's fold. Robert Haldane reading a chapter from the Epistle to the Romans, concerning all men being sinners by nature. He was astonished at it, but being clearly convinced by the passages read to him, he said to Mr. Haldane, "Now I do indeed see this doctrine in the Bible." "Yes, replied to recognize the terrible faot, that sin was in his need of Jesus Christ when he found himself a lost

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My friend, has this experience been yours ?-Have you seen sin in your heart? Have you seen and felt it to be a poison which has passed through every part of your moral nature?

Thousands of persons in Ireland, as well as in other places, have had such a soul-harrowing sleep, nor relish for a single meal, by a sight of body I can hardiy tell." your soul's sinful and lost condition! And yet if you only saw it by the grace of the Holy Ghost, your condition is quite as bad and hopeless as theirs!

How dreadful your case !-a sinner not far from perdition and yet gay, happy, careless, and reckless of eternity! Notwithstanding all your outward correctness of deportment and periodical | SAVED? religiousness, your case is desperate! But if you will go to hell, don't mock God by the way, pretending to serve him when you know that all your praying, hearing, praising, and partaking of the Lord's supper, is but a downright insult to the All-Seeing One!

A dear, devoted Englishman, who has been used by God to awaken thousands, and turn many from sin to holiness, and from profession to reali ty, during his protracted stay in Scotland, was wont to speak out with the utmost plainness about the mockery and folly of people going down to the everlasting burnings by the holy way of the communion table!

He said one day something very like this, to which we trust our Scottish readers will "take heed:" "I fear many of you are going to endless misery, and you are not doing so like many of my

# SAINT JOHN NEW BRUNSWICK, FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1860.

sheer carelessness and apathy to the gospel; and like full. He who parts with God and a good the poor Irish peasant is led into hell blind-fold- conscience, and so converts the heart within, and ed by the superstition of a cruel priesthood; mul- the heaven above, into terrors from which he titudes of the church-going Scotch seem bent on must try equally to flee, has parted with what

entering eternity arrayed in all the holy garments involves all, in time and eternity, that is truly of a religious profession, but it will only be to precious to man. The account is beyond the hear, with astonished ears, the withering words computation of human power. Dear reader from a Saviour's lips that will send them to their consider it. If you are conscious that you are me, ye that work iniquity."

by the Holy Spirit to Christ himself! The Holy pardoned and accepted as his restored child. Ghost, when He comes in saving power, will Forget not, however, that your sun is hastening "make havoc of the Church," in so far as it is composed of such members. He has done so in for ever. This hour may be your last. Oh!risk the case of thousands in the recent revival, and not the dreadful loss of all for eternity. Be He is doing so still even among ourselves.

It is greatly to be feared that the majority even alone is your true time. of those who frequent our communion tables are "not saved"-and will be in hell for ever- unless they repent of their church membership and all THE FULTON ST. PRAYER MEETING. their other sins, and be brought to Jesus for pardon and peace. Religion you see saves none!

through the blood of Jesus, be sure your sin wil, find you out, and bring you to the judgment-seat Then five or six young men arose one after everlasting punishment."

fore she left home, was greatly troubled when urgent, yet asking in an humble, modest way, she heard a minister say these awful things in his that he might be remembered in prayer. sermon: " Oh that lie!" she said within herself:

much in the preaching of the sanctuary about a great sinner, although a little girl; and she But now he hoped that his sins were all washed sinners and lost sinners, that you will readily ad- | walked miles to see the minister, to ask him how away in the Saviour's atoning blood. mit that the Bible teaches that, as sinners are all she was to be saved. By and bye, she was en- I asked you to pray for my sister: and now she utterly ruined and lost. But do you feel that abled to lay her sins on Jesus, and when she was is converted. She was sick at the time, and now the Bible speaks true to you, when it comes to asked afterwards, if she had laid her sins on she is rapidly recovering, and is a happy Chris- the time has come when the hearts of children you personally, and says, You are a sinner: that Jesus, she replied, "Oh yes, and I'll never lie tian, - none more happy than she. I asked you are turned to their parents that they may be re-

My dear friend, have you laid your sins on Jeyou! "Thou art the man!" is quite a different sus; and has it made you so averse to sin, and thing from the easy-going acknowledgment "we so full of desires after holiness, that you now feel anxious to "sin no more," like this dear lamb

"It pleased the Father that in him should all

sider the gospel extremely simple and intelligible, morning?" "No!" "Well he was." The he, "but do you see it in your heart?" It was a and having little in it, was struck one day with student referred to was a careless, rollicking simple question but it proved the sword of the the expression, " The unsearchable riches of thing, and especially on the subject of religion. Spirit, and awakened his slumbering conscience | Christ." "The unsearchable riches of Christ," Thime after time he was observed stealing into he said within himself, "I never found, I never the class prayer meeting, and taking a seat in the heart; and, by the grace of God, it led to his knew that there were unsearchable riches in him!" darkest corner of the room. So many times had conversion to Christ, for he immediately felt his He became deeply convinced of sin; and while men concluded that it was his duty, one night pacing his room, some time afterwards, he was led after the prayer meeting, to go into his room and to contemplate these two passages of Scripture: speak to him on the subject of religion. He went sion;" and "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son ceived. The door was entered, and the student cleanseth us from all sin." He believed in Je- grasped him by the hand. "Oh!" said he, "you sus, washed in his blood, and was filled with a joy have come just in time. You have come to tell

sight and sense of sin in their hearts and lives, that it has so burdened their spirits that they my hands for joy, and crying out, 'I have found to. I am a poor sinner and I want to be saved. have been well nigh driven to despair, and some him-I have found him-I have found him, whom Can you tell me what I must do?" of them have been almost deprived of life; and, my soul loveth,' and for a little time, as the The young man took down the Bible and perhaps, you have never lost an hour's quiet Apostle said, whether in the body or out of the turned to the 51st Psalm. Here, said he, read to the parents. They earnestly wrestled in prayer the sickness and death of your sister?" she re-

"the unsearchable riches of Christ?" Have you lost sheep). Then when you can pray the paslm had a spiritnal conviction of sin, and an evangelical conversion to God? Are you living far self resolve as did the prodigal to go to your Father and the world, or for God and eternity? Ask I will see you again; and he left him. He went yourself seriously, before you do anything else, to his room immediately above him, but not to he will hold all hearts in his hands, and he can give her heart to Jesus as the first thing to be this all-important question: AM I LOST OR sleep. All night he heard the voice of that

I am your soul's well-wisher for Jesus' sake, British Messenger.

## COUNT THE COST.

cannot help you. As the righteous Judge of the word of God, was just as important as the are sure already it must be so. You cannot but sprang upon his lap, put her arms around his neck, and said,—"Father, how old are you?"

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In a sure already it must be so. You cannot but sprang upon his lap, put her arms around his hope will be vain till you give your heart to possession, presented its tempting side, and again countrymen, who never go to church at all, but lost for ever. If you are going on in sin, you spend their time at home or in the public-house. are effectually shutting your soul out from his aid. precious the Saviour is ?" to admit you to the Lord's table in the order, but the world is in your hearts, and hell fire will be to admit your hearts, and hell fire will be to the soul persisting in sin. O! reader, could into his soul.

The arrow had sunk deep failed to express all he felt. As he went on, his feelings entirely overcame him, and he burst out imperative and so indispensable as that.

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strongly expressed; but is there not too much when this has to be part of its price! Need we | go further with this terrible reckoning? We When many an English artisan perishes through might go further; you know the sum is nothing 'own place": "I never knew you; depart from yet in a wrong way-whatever you enjoy in itremember the real cost. It is truly glorious Many are deceiving themselves by joining them- tidings, that you are welcome yet to turn from velves to the Church of Christ before being joined sin to God, and for the sake of Jesus, to be down the western sky, and that it will soon set

From the New York Observer.

reused to thought, and reconciled to God. He

now waits, but he cannot wait always. Now

"The precious blood of Christ" alone can save us begged the prayers of Christians in his behalf. from sin and wrath. Are you, my dear friend, He said he was a backslider- had fallen far, far "saved or lost?" If you are saved, you remem- away into sin. He could not tell the beginning of it. But, said he, with great apparent emotion, ber a time when you were lost; and you can tell I am a great sinner—a great sinner. I have been something of your conviction and conversion .- in here, a few times, and I cannot tell how I was Those who are saved can tell how they were induced to come here. But here I am. Will brought to a sense of sin and a knowledge of salyou pray for me? I am a fireman. You know not what temptations surround youg men, who give themselves up to the influences by which I "If you do not find out your sin, and bring it been encompassed. He said that two or three "Well, I know you are not finally lost, or you to Calvary to get it pardoned and washed away young men were present, who were members of the same company with himself. He wanted to

> lowed by a newsboy. He was 15 or 16 years old A little girl who had told her mother a lie be- one of that class having no father or mother or any one to care for their souls. He was very

The next day, the fireman who had asked for " I must bring it to Calvary, or it will send me to prayer arose and said, that he hoped he had ob-It may be, however, that you have heard so hell?" She was led, step by step, to see herself peace and joy. Sin had been a terror to him. tained an interest in Jesus. He was filled with

Another said-Oh! how God answers prayer. to pray for my wife and sister, and both are now rejoicing in a good hope in Jesus Christ.

HOW TO DIRECT AN ANXIOUS SINNER

When these young men rise and ask us to pray for them, it seems to me, said a speaker, that we shauld be very careful what we say to them or how we attempt to divert their minds. is every spiritual blessing a ruined sinner needs. trate what I mean, and teach us what to say to

In college, a pious young man was inquired of, one night, by a pious companion-"Did you A minister who had been accustomed to con- know that was in the prayer meeting this young Southerner, thoughtless in regard to every-Without shedding of blood there is no remis- to his door, with much fear and trembling, in me how I am to be saved; have you not? Oh! I am so glad you have come. I was just writing "I went up stairs and down again (said he,) to my grandmother, to ask her how I could be

can really pray it all through. And then he My dear friend, have you seen anything of turned to the gospel of Luke. 15th chapter (the student in prayer. He fancied he could distinguish the parts of the chapters by the different tones of his voice. Towards morning he came running up the stairs, and bursting into the

"So old, dear father, and never knew how

the world is in your hearts, and hell fire will be heard when the soul felt that it had barred itself till he could say in all sincerity of heart, "I will praise the blessed Saviour in a way that would your heart to Jesus, and you will obtain peace.— conduct, without trinking—there's a Command—mont or was praise the blessed Saviour in a way that would your heart to Jesus, and you will obtain peace.—

FOR NEW BRUNSWICK AND

him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in him, to cheer him with the assurance that the followed the Saviour in the regeneration.

" I SHALL BE PRAYING FOR YOU." Theatre, as I was leaving the house one morning, touching character. my mother asked me if I knew how important the present period was to me, and what a respon-

ged me to go to the prayer meeting in that the-atre She perhaps knew that I had some sort of according to the best estimate which could be me to go. She exhorted me. I was unmoved thousand. by all she said. 'Go, my son,' said she, as I was breaking way to leave her, 'and remember-1

shall be praying for you.'
"I passed into the street, uninfluenced by all went to the prayer meeting, and I seemed to hear cannot describe. Just before he sunk away, he ear- I shall be praying for you.' I could not lovingly over his bed, and said : shake it off. It followed me everywhere, and I "Bring-" never found a moment's peace until I laid down | More he could not say, for no strength had he feet, and cast myself as a poor, lost sinner upon gaze in his face, and said; his mercy. Oh! these mothers' prayers—these mothers' prayers-how they move my heart. How they follow us, their sons, wherever we go. A mother's prayer comes to this meeting asking that dying father's last request, and she said: I could encourage that poor praying mother. Under you want. I will do anything you wish me to God I owe all I have, all I am, all I hope for, to do.' that short, little sentence- I shall be praying The dying teacher rallied all his strength and for you.' And that, too because she did pray finally murmured: for me. When it was 12 o'clock at noon; there was my mother, up in her chamber, pleading with God, as none but a mother perhaps, can do. I am here as a living witness to the prevailing prayer

of a devoted, pious mother." at the prayer meeting.

PRAYER OF CHILDREN FOR PARENTS. The requests of children for impenitent parents are very touching, They often reach the Fulton street prayer meeting. A daughter sends a request, saying, that while God has had mercy on membered before the throne of grace.

A young gentleman arose, and said, that all requests of this character deeply affected him, for He had carried the son through a collegiate edu- dence. cation with a view to a shining career in another A sister, very lovely and dear, about two

do you?" inquired the father in a rage. "Yes, I do," answered the son.

" And I educated you for this, did I?"

"And you intend to enter the Seminary ?" " I do God being willing."

forever." Oh! what a change. You who have impenitent the first thing was to give my heart to Jesus."

PRAYER OF AN ANXIOUS GERMAN.

turns your hearts to them.

A few days ago a young German, who has been salvation of your soul. Universe, he is bound to condemn and punish you. To ask Him to help you in a course of you. To ask Him to help you in a course of godly father, who never went to church, and cared help and strength you need for doing right in all oranges under her apron, and walked quickly oranges under her apron, and walked quickly oranges under her apron, and walked quickly as trongly a

thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called blessed Saviour knew all his heart, and he would thy son. Make me as one of thy hired servants." not be judged by the language which he used. He become a rejoicing, happy Christian, and And then we attempted to leave him. But he begged us to wait till we could pray together. He was fearful that he had committed sin, and he A young man said there was nothing like a would not leave till we had prayed together. So mother's prayers to touch the heart of an uncon- all knelt in prayer. He was the last to pray. We verted young man. "I amalways deeply moved shed tears-many tears-during the utterance of by these requests of mothers for prayer for their that prayer. He knew nothing of the common unconverted sons. I remember two years ago, language of prayer. But the language which he when prayer meetings were held in Burton's used was peculiarly his own and was of the most

EIGHTY THOUSAND CONVERTS IN IRELAND.

sibility rested upon me in such a day, when God spoke, with great animation, of the army of the minate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, was pouring down his Holy Spirit in such a won-Lord, which is increasing every day. He said the nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor rederful manner? It was a solemn moment with my soul, she said, and the tears stood in her eyes with the same power as formerly, only not with kingdom of God." Now it follows that every while she said it, as she held my hand affection- the same physical manifestations. Even the Unitarians believed and admitted that it was a work knowledge of good and evil, and who have not My heart was unmoved by all this. She beg- of divine power, but denied that it proved any yet repented them of their sins, or of their unpurpose to go. I was not decided. But she urged made, the conversions were not less than eighty set before them in the Gospel, and have not yet

### CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL.

A Sunday-school teacher was dying. The light my dear mother had said, except that last sen- of heaven was in his eye, seraphic smiles played tence—'I shall be praying for you.' This, ring- upon his thin lips, and precious thoughts of Jesus ing continually in my ears, was a terror to me. I and his mighty love filled his heart with a joy I that little sentence continually repeated in my turned to his daughter, who was bending most

all my rebellion, all my opposition, at the Saviour's to speak more. His child looked with earnest "What shall I bring, my father?"

"Bring-" His child was in an agony of desire to know us to help her prayer for poor wandering boy. I wish | "Dear, precious father, do try to tell me what

"Bring-forth-the royal diadem, And crown him Lord of all."

And as these words died away upon his lips his soul flew up to join the grand company in We often hear this same young man, either in heaven, which is ever casting crowns at the feet exhortation or prayer. He is a constant attendant of their Saviour and singing hallelujrhs to God and the Lamb.

Wasn't that a happy death, my children? Would you like to die thus when your hour come? If so, learn to live loving, honoring, and praising Jesus. Learn to love him now, so that your heart will ever sing-

"Bring forth the royal diadem, \* And crown him Lord of all.

# THE FIRST THING IN DOING RIGHT.

N. had passed her eighteenth birthday. She he once belonged to the same class. He had been was a young lady of strong, clear intellect, and brought to Christ himself, but his parents were fine education. She was an intelligent hearer of out of the ark of safety. He said that he beloug- the gospel; but its calls, whether addressed to ed to a Theological Seminary; and among his her in the public preaching of the sanctuary; or But there is not only pardon in Jesus, there I want to relate a fact which will illus- were impenitent. Among them was one, whose or of Christian friendship, proved ineffectual, till father was a wealty, proud man of the world. seconded by the monitions of a bereaving provi-

> profession. When the time came for the son to years older than herself, with whom she had been make choice for himself, he frankly told his father associated in study at the common school and at "You wish to enter the Theological Seminary, ing a Christian, and had professed her faith in Christ; and such was her death that, though her "And be a preacher—a poor preacher, do friends felt that for her "to die was gain. N. sat stricken and desclate beside that coffin.

"And he as good a preacher of the gospel as I spoke to her then, as often before, about her soul's great want, and urged her to go to Jesus and seek him as her Saviour and helper in this "Not for this. But I hope this is my calling time of her sorrow and need. I drew from her his own salvation. -to preach the glorious gospel of the blessed but few words, but from what she said I had great hopes that she would soon be a Christian.

Not long afterwards I called to see her again, and found her rejoicing in Christ. She stated to "Then from this day, I cut you off from all in- me, in answer to my inquiries, her convictions of heritance with my children; and I disown you her own sin and utter unworthiness, and of her neglect, but will God accept them? Do they need of a Saviour, and her conscious trust and "Not forever, I hope," replied the son. He surrender to him, which led me to hope that the and knoweth all things. You are responsible entered the Seminary, and he was one of those Spirit of God had wrought a good work of his only for what you know, but also for what you had eight sons who had impenitent parents-for converting grace in her heart. And, on my in- the means of knowing. You have God's word, whose conversion they had started prayer meet- quiring, "Did you frel any more than usual in- or might have it; you know, or might know, and pray this psalm, till you feel that your heart And I am here to tell you that every one of those plied, "Yes, sir, I have been thinking more than impenitent fathers is converted. How shall I usual of the subject for some months. I have describe the meeting between the outcast son and been resolved all summer that I would try to do | fused to obey. "Beware lest that come upon you his converted father, whom he hurried home to right in every thing. But," she added, "I could embrace as soon as he heard of the "great change." not help feeling all the time that, in doing right, parents, be encouraged to pray for their conver- That sad bereavement was the means of bringturn the hearts of these parents to you as he done, if she really wanted to do right.

1. It is not enough to resolve to do right, without giving the heart to Jesus. Many of the young stop with the resolution to do right, and think "Dear beloved Christians-Will you pray for that this will be accepted as religion. They mean room, he exclaimed, in transport and joy-'Oh! I me. I am an unconverted and lost sinner. I am to be dutiful children, - to be diligent as scholars; can pray the psalm all through, every word of it. a poor German, and write this broken English. to be correct in their department ;—and to be It is my confession and my prayer. And I can Christians, pray for me, that I may be converted be kind and sympathizing towards the poor and believe and pray the chapter. I am the prodigal through God's help. Oh! pray that the Holy the suffering. They go no further than this. It is impossible to continue in sin, and have but I have returned and I have been welcomed to Spirit may come upon me. Pray earnest for me. Each claim of social and relative duty finds them God as a refuge in the hour of trouble. It is true my Father's house."

The conversion proved a genuine one. The relation of it brought up a man, who said he was ings of late, and this request is from one of them.

I am lost. My heart shakes."

Several Germans have appeared in the meetings of late, and this request is from one of them. It is fatally defective. It lacks one thing, and God helps us' with the next; but what is the from Kentucky. He wanted to say that this It is an evidence that the Holy Spilit is moving It is fatally defective. It lacks one thing, and

religious experience. It consisted almost wholly other things. If you love Christ, you will try to away. But conscience remonstrated as strongly, Need we say that such a prayer is futile? You One day, when she came from the communion of ascriptions of praise to Jesus. It was an out- keep all his commandments, and he will give you that after a little reflection, she walked as quickly

sionary urged him still more strongly, and he con- Jesus. Without that, there is nothing that he she yielded. After a sharper conflict than besented. He rose to his feet. The missionary told cen accept. All is unditiful without that; and fore, conscience gained a second victory and the him he might sit and so read it. But he seemed your conscience will reproach you with leaving almost stolen orange was again and finally re-There might be said to be a Scotch way of going Have you counted this cost? To what quarter "What shall I do?" asked father.

"Read the 14th chapter of Luke over and reading in a standing posture—and rarely, very your heart to Jesus. Do you ask, "What need ed home with her mother, and when they were alone burst into tears, exclaiming "Oh, mother rarely, did any one ever hear such expressions of I more than to aim to do right and perform my alone, burst into tears, exclaiming, "Oh, mother extremity, to be a consuming fire? Such he is That night the father found no time for sleep, gratitude and praise. It seemed as if language duties as they come along?" The answer is, I've cracked one of the Commandments! I

the end of it, 'except ye repent.'" This is very out from God, you would not think sin cheap arise and go unto my father, and I will say to satisfy his heart. We endeavored to comfort This will purify the fountain, This has the proment cracked.—Examiner.

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mise of acceptance with God. This is the prescribed method of seeking salvation. "Seek ye first the kiugdom of God, and his righteousness." - Tract Journal.

For the "Religious Intelligencer." WHAT IS THE MEANING OF UNRIHGTE-OUSNESS?

It is written in the Word of God that "all un-

righteousness is sin," and that "the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God." "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived neither for-An Irishman appeared in the meeting who nicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effebeen "born again or made new creatures in Christ Jesus-i. e.-Born of the Spirit of God and made happy in His forgiving love, may be classed among the above characters thus so faithfully described by the Apostle Paul. Alas! for poor fallen humanity, how many are there to be found among professing christians who have identified themselves with the Christian church of every denomination, who have never yet experienced the change from "darkness to light, and who are yet in their guilt and blood and unforgiven. They are masked deceivers, sporting themselves with their own deceivings and still remaining in the "gall of bitternese and in the bond of iniquity." Can such have hope of the kingdom of Heaven? No! where God and Christ is they never can come. It will be said unto all such-"Depart from me ye cursed in everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Will the prayers of such unregenerated souls, for the conversion of the world, while they themselves remain unconverted, avail or prevail with God? No! certain ly not! themselves must first begin at home and set their own house in order by hearty repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, they must be "born again" before they can ever expect to prevail with God for the conversion of others .- "The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord; but the prayer of the upright is his delight." "The Lord is far from the wicked; but heareth the prayer of the righteous." It is written, "open rebuke is better than secret love." Therefore take warning in time and examine yourselves, and see if ye be in the faith that saves from sin. "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Written in love, and good-will to men.

DO YOU ATTEND PUBLIC WORSHIP?

Many who read this, do, and find profit and leasure in so doing. They find the house of God the very gate of heaven; and when deprived of this privilege, excliam with the Psalmist, " My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God." Others, perhaps, though hving within sound of the "church-going bell," and thus reminded every Sabbath of duty, neglect the worship of God, refusing even the outward acknowledgement of God, and spend the hours of God's holy day in listless inactivity, or in vicious activity. Such have no delight in God, no love that he wished not to study law, but to enter the seminary, was attacked with fever, and, after for his service, no fear of his displeasure. "God the Theological Seminary with a view to the gos- short sickness she passed away. For two or is not in all their thoughts." They will not think three years that sister had given evidence of be- of the future, as if by forgetting, they could annihilate it. They rush madly, blindly, on the unknown, and fancy that if they have forgotten, prospects of earthly happiness were bright, her God may also forget. Vain idea. God, his character, and requirements are revealed in his word. That word is the foundation of all the instruction of God's house. He that despises the house of God, and neglects the instruction there communicated, neglects Ged, and the means of

> And how shall we-how will you escape if you neglect so great salvation. And what can be a greater neglect of salvation than the refusal even to hear of it; to be absent needlessly from the house of God? You offer many excuses for this satisfy your own conscience? God is greater. you had been instructed and had refused to obey it. You have been instructed. You have rewhich is spoken in the prophets; behold ye despisers, and wonder and perish; for I work a work in your, day, a work which ye shall in no wise belive, though a man declare it unto you.', Neglect of the means of grace hardens the heart blinds the mind, and renders it incapable of receiving the truth. If you have no relish for the worship of God, no joy in the communion of saints on earth, you are not evidently unprepared for the worship of God and the communion of saints in heaven ?-Tract Journal.

## A CRACKED COMMANDMENT.

We heard a suggestive expression related the other day of a very little girl, who was taking by her mother into a shop, where a tempting basket of oranges stood exposed for sale. While her worth of such a prayer? Continuing in sin, God matter of pointing an anxious sinner to the in some small measure upon the German mind. that is a thing of vital importance in order to the the little one feasted her eyes on the fruit, and