

BY EMMA C. DOWD.

Why Faith is Necessary.

Now, if all this is true in our human relationships, how much more so respecting that deepest personal relationship possible to the soul,—the relationship of trust, obedience, and fellowship with God as revealed in Christ. The Apostle Paul has sketched, in one of his most powerful passages, the effect of our holding Christ thus continually in our faith and fellowship. He pictures the believing soul as beholding with unclouded vision the beauty and majesty of Christ which are mirrored in the gospel; and as the soul gazes in faith and love upon the divine ideal of life which is thus presented to it, *but it is itself transformed more and more into the same image by the mysterious processes of the Spirit* (2 Cor. 3:18).

When Christianity Seems to Fail.

In the Bible we have a description of Christianity and a picture of the flower and foliage it will bear. We have an actual specimen in Christ Jesus. The beauty of His peace and rest and holiness and the fragrance of His love please us. We resolve to accept Christianity as our hope and portion. But we fail to meet the required conditions of its growth in the soul. After a few months of trial we are disappointed, and our neighbors are disappointed in what they see in us. The requirements are all specifically and clearly stated in the Bible, but we have not studied them. We

Beating One's Self.

Pride.

Pride takes all manner of shapes. You and I, I dare say, have very different forms of pride. Perhaps my pride does not hold any relationship to your pride; and your pride, of course, it is a very right sort of pride. "It is what I call a proper pride," says one. Yes, that is your sort of pride. Mine, I own, is a very improper one; I frankly make that confession—I cannot and dare not think that it has any propriety about it at all—it is a miserable wretched affair. So is yours, I think; and you would agree with me if you could but see it as it really is. But pride takes all manner of shapes. Have you never seen it in the man of property? He is a very important individual. It may be that his property is not very large; but still, considering the village in which he lives, it is quite a big man; and on the vestry—why, he is as big as an emperor! You and I do not, perhaps, think much of him; but that does not matter to him, for in his own estimation he is a very great man. Then there is a London merchant: if

Reaching the People.

Make your ministry reach the people in the forms of purest culture, if you can, but reach the people; with elaborate doctrine, if possible, but reach the people. The great problem of life to an educated ministry is to make their culture a power instead of a luxury. Our temptations are all one way. Our mission is all the other way. —Prof. Austin Phelps.

What the Martyrs have Done.

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Bishop Eutler's Experience.

The Author of the Analgy was one of the most sagacious of philosophic theologians—one of the most acute of reasoners. His personal experience is one of profound interest to every thoughtful person. When he on his death-bed called for chaplain and said, 'Though I have endeavoured to avoid sin, and please God to the utmost of my power, yet from the consciousness of perpetual infirmities I am still afraid to die. My Lord, said the chaplain, you have forgotten that Jesus Christ is the Saviour. True, answered the dying man, but how shall I know that He is the Saviour for me? My Lord, it is written: 'Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.' True, said the bishop, and I am surprised that although I have read that Scripture a thousand

God Knows.

Declaring God's Timely Truths.

Getting religion is easier than keeping it. An experience that dates way back is no certain sign of spiritual health. A tree cannot live on last year's sap. It is not what you once were, but what you now are, that tells you are alive. It is the new wood that fruits. A revival, like spring, shows the dead trees, exposes those "dead in trespasses and sins." A growing Christian adds graces as trees add rings.—Ram's Horn.

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