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## EDITORIAL.

### QUIT YOU LIKE MEN.

It is said of Stephen, "and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." Many times as we have read this sentence we have instinctively put the emphasis on the words "a man," and always feels impressed to think of the real qualities that make up the noblest type of manhood, and to say in my heart, one must possess the characteristics of a real man that he may be entrusted with the great gift of the Holy Ghost.

There are characteristics of true manhood that should be possessed by every sanctified evangelist and pastor especially, whether his mental capacity be great or ordinary. Is good common sense bed-rock honesty and candor. Genuine holiness will clean out and destroy all cunning and craftiness, usually employed by men to their advantage over others, "A pure heart," "Unfeigned love of the brethren," this will kill all unkind criticism, and evil surmising, which are always evidences of the lack of true manliness.

He can suffer long with people who has not reached the point to see as he sees, especially the young people of his congregation with all the fitful notions they may manifest.

Vaunteth not itself (or himself).

"Brave men do not vaunt their courage, nor honorable men their honesty," "Not ostentatious" of gifts nor attainments, if we possess advantages over our brethren "it will get out on us." Some who spend a few months in a small school will sometimes say: "When I was in college!" Well, it might have remained unknown had he not told it. Humility is a precious degree that we should all strive to obtain. But there are other things which should be carefully considered by us who preach the gospel of holiness. We may have strong opinions of certain things which needs to be handled wisely, lest we shut the door of opportunity to reach men

who as yet don't see as we do on those subjects.

Men will hate you because you are Christ's, and will hate holiness, or what they think you stand for, sometimes because they are not acquainted with you, nor what you teach. We can't help this, and should be patient with them, and in time we may win them. We should draw our lines distinctly, but kindly. So we may not needlessly give offence. There is a man in our congregation who is a member of some secret order. As yet he believes it is all right, he attends it, he has not discovered that God can give him something so much better that he would rather walk three miles to a cottage prayer meeting than to attend the grand lodge of his order, and be elected to the chief office.

Suppose the minister sees him, and secret orders immediately fill his mind and he says: "I'll give that man something to remember and he controls himself with great effort until the opening exercises have been gone through, then with a strong voice, full of fight, he says: 'I believe every secret society is on the road to hell! and every man that belongs to them is a child of the devil.' Would that be the kindest way to deal with this question? Would it manifest the spirit of love? Would it be gentlemanly? Would it open that man's mind to listen? What would he think of the preacher?"

Then ministers that are to be leaders in their denomination, should not be men who will emphasize one particular doctrine so strongly that all others will be overshadowed, viz.: "Divine healing," as of greater importance than regeneration or entire sanctification, justification, regeneration and entire sanctification are the great essentials of salvation. No wonder that our Lord said children of this world were wiser than those of the light.

Men of the world take time to consider the best and most successful methods of accomplishing their purposes, and it looks like that a large portion of the church is making the mistake by adopting worldly methods in their church work. That is not what we are advocating, but if we would take time to meditate, and pray, and consult each other, and study to know Christ and his spirit, and methods of doing things and to depend on God to deal with men's minds and circumstances and patiently preach the word and keep humble before God and kindly to men, and patient with each other, and manly, brave, honest and irreproachable, and circumspect in all things. Paul spoke wisely to Timothy and said: **"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example to the believers, in word, in faith, in purity."**

We can be specialists if you will, "in all holy living and godliness," in Christian manliness, and not ruin ourselves by being specialists on one phase of truth, or chasing after some one thing that we deem out of harmony with true Christianity, or after some pet opinion of our own, or overly wise regarding what the Lord is going to do when he comes.

Our future depends on our comprehension of truth, in its operation on the souls of men, our submission to the will of God, and the wisdom God can teach us to use

in dealing with men. The work of God needs the scriptural type of manhood "filled with faith" and the Holy Ghost, men big enough to be a specialist on all things that constitute godliness in manhood. Stephen was a great Christian layman, full of power, courage, so full of the Holy Spirit that his face looked like the face of an angel, a mighty warrior who won even in death.

## FEAR.

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That soul destroying, misery bringing slavery that so many of God's people can truly testify that has held them in its terrifying grip for so long, can be taken away, and the soul delivered from its thralldom.

We refer them to Luke 1:74-75.

That He would grant unto us that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.

The word fear is recorded in the word of God some 480 times, revealing the fact that fear held a large place in the lives of men and women. God began very early in man's history to exhort him to "fear not." God said "fear not" 65 times, and the why: We can quote only a few of them. To Abraham, Gen. 15-4, "Fear not—I am thy shield."

To Isaac, Gen. 26-24, "Fear not—I am with thee."

To Jacob, Gen. 5-21, "Fear not—I will nourish thee."

To Israel, Exo. 14-3, "Fear not—The Lord will fight for thee."

To the Israelites at Kadish-Barnea, Deu. 1-21, "Fear not—go up and possess it."

In Canaan, Deu. 20-3, "Fear not—God goeth with you."

In Canaan—Deu. 31-6, "Fear not—He will not fail you."

To Gideon, Judges 6-10, "Fear not—have I not sent thee?"

To the Widow, I. Kings 17-13, "Fear not—the barrel of meal shall not fail."

Elisha to Gehazi, 2 Kings 6-16, "Fear not—for they that be with us are more than they that be with them."

Jehoshaphat, 2 Chro. 20-15, "Fear not—The battle is not your's, but God's."

To Isaiah, Isa. 4-10, 43, 1, 2. 54-4, "Fear not—I will strengthen thee."

"Fear not—Thou art mine." "Fear not—Thy maker is thy husband."

To Ezekial, Eze., 3-9, "Fear not—I have made thy face strong."

To Daniel, Dan. 10-19-12, "Fear not—One greatly beloved, thy words are heard, I am come"

To Zephaniah, Zept. 3-16-17, "Fear not—He will rejoice over thee with joy, with singing."

Perfect love casteth out fear. He that feareth is not made perfect in love—I. John 4-18.

Let us claim our heritage in Christ, and get this deliverance from fear, that hinders us from praying, testifying or obeying God, and serving him in positive holiness all the days of our life. God swears it. Let us believe it.