

## DO YOU KNOW THIS?

A state — to be carnally minded — is death?

To be spiritually minded is life and peace? Rom. 8:6.

For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the spirit do mortify the deeds of the body ye shall live. Rom. 8:13.

As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; that we may be also glorified together?

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. Rom. 8:18.—S.A.B.

## ARE THERE ANY HOLY PEOPLE ON EARTH?

"No," say the holiness fighters. "Your 'holiness people' are not holy people. It is all a delusion. We have watched them. They do things that we would not do." This has been the cry of opposers of holiness since the days of Enoch, who walked with God in that holy, happy march for three hundred years.

Because opposers condemn and deny the existence of holiness, this by no means disproves its existence. Was there ever a holy man who was appreciated in his day and generation? The trouble is not that there are no holy people, but that there are so few who have sufficient discernment to recognize them. Carnal people are usually color blind. They cannot discern white when it is before their eyes. The apostle says of those multitudes of holy people persecuted in that day and generation, "Of whom the world was not worthy." The poet says:

"But why seem they so mean,  
And why so much despised?

Because of their rich robes unseen,  
The world is not apprised."

God declared that Job was a perfect man, and even Satan admitted it. But there were three so-called friends of Job who denied it. They accused that perfect man of wickedness. Jesus was "holy, harmless and undefiled and separate from sinners," the spotless lamb of God, "who did not sin, neither was guile found in his mouth." Yet he was accused of the horrible sin of blasphemy and condemned to the most disgraceful punishment known. With these facts before us it is easy to see that the accusations made against holy men mean nothing. They prove nothing. The world made its mistake concerning Jesus and Job and it has made the same mistake concerning the holy people of every age. After they are dead and gone the world begins to recognize their holy character and build monuments to those they have stoned.

God knows He has holy people on earth. He says in Psalm 50, "Gather together my saints." He has some people whom He calls "saints." Let God be true though every man be a liar!—Christian Witness.

"Prayer consists not in many words, but in fervor of desire, which raiseth the soul to God by the knowledge of its own nothingness and the Divine Goodness."

## DIFFICULTIES SOLVED.

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Is Sanctification for All Believers?

Some earnest Christians hesitate to believe that so great a blessing as holiness can be for them. It may be possible, they argue, for a few ministers or piously-disposed persons, who have leisure to devote themselves to religion, to receive and live out this great blessing; but for us, men of business, men of many cares, brought into daily contact with a sinful world, it is out of the range of possibility for us to be kept wholly free from its stains and corruptions. The man overwhelmed with worldly business—the woman fretted and worried with household cares, says, almost despairingly, "It is not for me."

Now, let these glance for a moment at the third chapter of Ephesians and read what Dr. Steele has aptly called "Paul's higher life prayer":—"For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," etc. Who was it that Paul was praying for? Only a few ministers of the Gospel? A few piously disposed persons? A few men and women of leisure, who had all their time to devote to religion? The Ephesian Church was made up principally, no doubt, of laboring men, artisans—makers in former years, perhaps, of silver shrines for Diana—and women with, in all probability, families of children and all the usual pressure of household cares incident to persons in their circumstances. They had evidently been addicted, before their conversion, to low forms of vice, for the Apostle exhorts them "to put away lying," and "let them that stole steal no more," and not to allow "any corrupt communication to proceed out of their mouth." And yet, for just such people as these—with all the cares, and troubles, and perplexities incident to narrow circumstances and the necessity of toil for their daily bread—Paul prays that they may be strengthened by the Spirit in the inner man; may have Christ to dwell in their hearts of faith; may be rooted and grounded in love; may understand and know the mathematical, solid contents of the love of Christ, and may be filled with all the fulness of God. And then he doubles and triples, or squares and cubes, all these stupendous blessings that he invokes upon them by stating that God is able to do more than all that we ask or think;—yes, abundantly above all; and even exceeding abundantly above all.

If, then, any of my readers are disposed to think that the blessing is not for them: if they are full of worry and care; if their hindrances are many and great; if their burdens are heavy and grievous to be borne; let them not yield to discouragement, and cease to ask or seek for the fullness of the blessing, but let them rather say:—"Just because of my cares and troubles, and toils, and worries, therefore I must have this great salvation; if others can afford to do without it, I cannot." And so, casting their care—outward and inward—upon Jesus, let them believe, and enter into a sweet rest of soul in Him who careth for them.

"Jesus Christ alone can save the world, but Jesus Christ can not save the world alone."

## THE MANY-SIDEDNESS OF CHRIST.

Jesus challenges the attention of the world by His many-sidedness. He meets the needs of all classes and conditions of men. As deep answereth unto deep, so does He respond to the movings of each soul of man.

Call the roll of the world's workers and ask, "What think ye of Christ?" Their answers amaze us by their revelation of the universal appeal of Christ. Some one whose name has been lost has collected the following examples of this universality:

To the artist He is One Altogether Lovely.

To the architect He is the Chief Corner Stone.

To the astronomer He is the Sun of Righteousness.

To the baker He is the Living Bread.

To the banker He is the Hid Treasure.

To the biologist He is the Life.

To the builder He is the Sure Foundation.

To the carpenter He is the Door.

To the doctor He is the Great Physician.

To the educator He is the Great Teacher.

To the farmer He is the Sower, and the Lord of the Harvest.

To the florist He is the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley.

To the geologist He is the Rock of Ages.

To the horticulturist He is the True Vine.

To the judge He is the Righteous Judge, the Judge of all men.

To the jeweler He is the Pearl of Great Price.

To the lawyer He is the Counselor, the Lawgiver, the Advocate.

To the newspaper man He is the Good Tidings of Great Joy.

To the philanthropist He is the Un-speakable Gift.

To the philosopher He is the Wisdom of God.

To the preacher He is the Word of God.

To the railroad man He is the New and Living Way.

To the sculptor He is the Living Stone.

To the servant He is the Good Master.

To the statesman He is the Desire of all Nations.

To the student He is the incarnate Truth.

To the theologian He is the Author and Finisher of our Faith.

To the toiler He is the Giver of Rest.

To the sinner He is the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world.

To the Christian He is the Son of the Living God, Savior, Redeemer and Lord.

What is He to you?—Common people.

"Life is a stewardship and not an ownership; a trust and not a gift. With a gift you may do as you please, but with a trust you must give an account. It must be administered so as to meet the approval of the great Judge."

"Bad habits cost a great deal, though not always in money. They may cost in health, or in the happiness of others. They may cost in lost self-respect and weakened conscience. One thing is sure—they never add, they always take away."