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## EDITORIAL

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God. Rom. 8:28.

Perhaps no man that ever lived was better qualified to utter the above words than the apostle Paul, who is the author of them. He had had such a varied experience in life. In his epistle to the Philippians he writes: "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed both how to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Because he took the attitude that he did toward "all things"; he learned life's greatest lesson, which I fear that comparatively few of us have learned; viz, how to make all things contribute toward a successful and happy life.

There are some very striking points of similarity between the works of nature and of grace. Of course this is what we should expect, whereas all things both in nature and grace are the product of the one great master mind. All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made. John 1:3. When I speak of a similarity between nature and grace, I am thinking of the needs of the physical world. Observation teaches us that too much of one thing does not produce the best results, even of the things that we like most. For instance too much sunshine makes a desert, and too much rain makes a marsh or swamp. Too much frost makes ice-fields and icebergs. But it takes all things, sunshine and rain, frost and snow, cold and heat, to produce fruitful fields of golden grain and bountiful harvests to feed man and beast. Again when we consider the needs of the human body, we find that they are varied indeed. Doctors, dietetists and dietarians who are making a study of the foods that we eat, are telling us that if we knew what kinds of food to eat, and were careful to eat the right kinds; that we would escape a great deal of sickness, and live longer. They say that too much of one kind of food produces poison in our bodies, whereas if that same kind of food is taken in moderation with other kinds of food that they all work together for our good, or physical health. Again psychologists tell us that man's mind and soul need a variety of experiences, in order to become properly developed and to make them strong. They say that too much of one thing that effects our emotions such as laughter, sorrow, anger, joy etc., is not good for us. Hence the

great Creator has made us so that we can laugh, and cry, be glad or sorrowful, happy or displeased, and all these things in moderation work together for our good. Why am I saying all this? Because I want to say that our God who made the world and also the bodies and minds of men with their variety of needs, knows what things we have need of and has provided them for us. He also has created the soul, or spirit of man, or the inner man as the apostle calls the invisible nature, that was created in the image of God: and that suffered so much through the fall of Adam and Eve, which brought sin, wreck and ruin to the entire race of man. But Jesus came, suffered, and died "that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works". He provided redemption for all that would repent, believe, and obey him. But in the building of holy character, that will live, and serve, and shine in the ages to come, there is need for God's children to pass through a variety of experiences in this present life.

One great mistake that men make is, they regard man's stay in this present world as the whole of man's life: But it is only a fraction of the whole. The whole of our life comprehends eternity, and it is only when we think of life as such, that we can reconcile some things that come to us in this life, with the love and kindness of God. If our present existence here between the cradle and the grave constituted the whole of our life, no doubt God would deal differently with us, He might give us more of the things that we like, such as material prosperity, good health, agreeable people to always live with, and associate with, or everything in life to please us instead of so many things and conditions which we do not like; such as poverty, disappointments, sorrows, and heartaches, tears, and trials of various kinds. But it takes all of these things which our allwise Heavenly Father permits to come to his children, to fit them for life, not only here, but in the ages to come. I heard of a lady who was complaining about her trials here, and said that she did not know why she was ever made. Her pastor told her that she was not made yet, but that she was only in the process of being made, and that she was quarreling with the process. So let every child of God fully consecrate himself to Him, and experience the sanctifying grace of the Holy Spirit: And I am sure that you will enjoy a new outlook on life, one that will reach beyond this present time. And you will be able to say of your trials as the Apostle Paul said of his. "For our light afflictions which are but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal: but the things which are not seen are eternal. II Cor. 4:17-18.

And we also will have such a firm trust in the wisdom of our God that we will be able to say though we can not understand why some things come to us. That "we know that all things work together for good to them that love God. To them who are the called according to His purpose", which is holiness. For God hath called us unto holiness. 1 Thess. 4:7.

## GIVE CHRIST A CHANCE

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As a "pilgrim" journeying through this world, and as I meet with different people, I discern so many who are weighed down with worldly cares.

Many seem to be so disheartened that they can only see life in a pessimistic view. Some

of whom I meet are professing Christians and I want to say right here that the ones who are not having any radiant joy in their Christian lives, are not giving Christ a chance. I also find in many cases the poorest financially are often the most happy.

I, myself, have many perplexing difficulties and I feel very sure that I have discovered the true "Source of Happiness." When we give Christ a chance in our lives He can sanctify us wholly by the power of grace divine. He can give us the power over the Prince of this world to such an extent that we can, if need be, give our heart's blood for our most bitter enemy, and there is not any power on this earth can separate us from His love.

This true happiness can be found in reading the scriptures often, in spiritual meditation and in prayer, especially secret prayer. God has promised to crown our lives in His service and "His promise never faileth."

I am reminded of a valiant soldier tall and brave, but wounded and tortured almost beyond endurance, he turned, in his agony, to the drug habit.

The doctors gave him up as incurable. He stumbled into the "Bowery" in New York for some refreshments and there a kindly hand was laid upon his shoulder and he was asked if he wanted to try prayer and religious preaching. He gave Christ a chance in his life and eventually he was a worthy citizen once more.

This goes to show what the power of Christ can do in a life so down-trodden in sin. The Christ-like life is a life of service to others and we must give until the Master stops giving to us, which will never be.

Oh! that professing Christians would forsake the world and consecrate their lives to God's service, and be sanctified wholly by the power of His grace divine.

Think of the beautiful things He has put into this world for us to enjoy. Such things as the crackling of a warm fire, the sheen of the moon on the ocean, the dew on nature's wild flowers. The snow that falls on a calm night and when morning dawns the trees and ledges are draped in dazzling white and silver having the effect in the bright sunshine of a veritable fairyland all these and so many more. Let us tune our hearts to sing His praise and let us give Him a chance to make our lives radiant with a deep sense of His abiding presence. May the mantle of His love fall upon His children wherever they are to be found, and may Christ have a chance to come into barren and desolate lives who as yet have known Him not.

NOTE: The above was written by a sister in Nova Scotia, who has been a Christian and a church member for several years, but who has never had the privilege of attending a holiness church, for she lives over twenty miles from one, but God led her into the experience of entire sanctification over two years ago, and the above article has the true ring.—Editor.

"Christ is not only the Messenger, He is the Message; not only the Light Bearer, He is the Light; not only the Truth Bearer, He is the Truth; not only the Trail Blazer, He is the Way; not only the Life Bringer, He is the Life; not only the Revealer, He is the Revelation; not only the High Priest, He is the Sacrifice."—Selected.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled."