

## WHAT HOLINESS MEANS TO THE CHRISTIAN

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The Holy Spirit gives an inward disposition to holy living, but does not carry this disposition to the point of force. No state of grace puts the Christian in a place where choice becomes unreal.

Exactly what does holiness mean to the Christian? The term holiness is used to designate a specific experience of grace in which the heart of the Christian is cleansed from all sin. This grace is commonly known as entire sanctification.

We do well as Christians to remember that the spiritual life roots into the physical life. To the question—"should the Christian ever practise suppression?"—the answer is "yes," and "no." If the question refers to the suppression of the carnal mind the answer is a positive "no." Where sin is destroyed there is no occasion for suppression. If the question refers to the suppression of the physical the answer is a definite "yes." Lawful physical appetites must be suppressed and controlled, or they will ruin a Christian. To draw the line is a problem, but to draw the line is our need if we are to hold a radiant testimony. Indeed, not to draw the line is to commit sin, even though we may profess holiness.

It is the universal testimony of Christians that finding Christ as Saviour is the foremost grand and glorious experience in all the world. In spite of this fact, however, the Christian may still have a sin problem. There remains an area in the heart of the Christian that though touched and subdued, yet is not completely controlled and cleansed.

This area may be likened to a field with a sign, "no trespassing." Contradictory as it may seem, there is represented here an unwillingness to let God have His way in all the details of life. It is an area of reservation. There are sometimes ambitions, choices, and plans for life which are not committed to Christ, lest they should fail of His approval. This brings weakness and unhappiness. This condition speaks of a divided heart. The Christian cannot stand unless his inward and outward life becomes a unit.

This reservation which we have likened to a field is a great hunting ground for Satan. When he approaches this area he invariably finds a response. This is where he frequently takes the measure of a Christian. No man is stronger than his weakest point. This reservation varies in its character. With some it is a nest for jealousy, envy, hatred, resentment, stubbornness; with others, pride, lust, selfish ambition, etc. This evil nest represents the work of the Devil, and the Bible says—"The Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the work of the devil." I John 3:8.

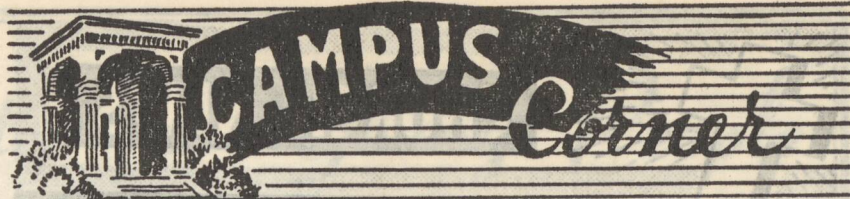
At this point we hasten to say that it is fatal for the Christian to think of practising suppression here. No, nothing short of entire sanctification will deal with this enemy. Only God can handle the sin problem and His method is destruction. May God search our hearts that we may experience cleansing from all sin.

### A TESTIMONY

George Fox, the Quaker, once said, "I knew Jesus, and He was very precious to my soul: but I found something in me that would not keep sweet and patient and kind. I did what I could to keep it down, but it was there.

"I besought Jesus to do something for me, and when I gave Him my will, He came to my heart, and took out all that would not be sweet, all that would not be kind, all that would not be patient, and then He shut the door."

The King's Highway



### DONATIONS

The following donations have been made to Bethany and have been received with appreciation:

Marysville (Mrs. G. Wilson's S. S. Class)—Sheets and towels.

Marysville Church—2 boxes of pickles and preserves.

Sandford Church—Dish towels.

Moncton Missionary Auxiliary—Cash, \$6.00; can goods, fruit and vegetables.

Salem Church—2 pillows.

Mr. Robert Landers—4 bags of potatoes.

Mr. Andrew Porter—3 individual donations of vegetables.

### DIME CALENDARS

A number of Young People's groups are entering the Bethany Dime Contest beginning November 1st. Pastors, encourage your young people to join the contest. Each prize will be awarded on the basis of membership and the number of dimes sent to Bethany. A small society has as good a chance to win as a large society.

A number of adults and young people have already requested dime folders for personal use. We have already received a number of dime folders that have been filled by our faithful supporters. You may obtain a personal dime folder by writing to Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, N. S.

### ROGER-NICKERSON MEMORIAL AWARD

Roger-Nickerson Memorial Award has been made available to a student of the Bible department by Mr. St. Clair Nickerson, of Wood Harbour, N. S.

This award is valued at \$10.00. It has been established for a period of five years by Mr. Nickerson in memory of the late Rev. G. A. Rogers and Mr. Nickerson's mother. Mr. Rogers was esteemed very highly by both Mr. Nickerson and his mother. It is very fitting that this award is in memory of Mr. Rogers and Mrs. Nickerson.

The award is available to a student of the Bible department who is entering the gospel ministry with the Reformed Baptist Alliance, or to a Bible student entering full time missionary work. The award will be given on the basis of need and scholastic standing.

We are most grateful for this contribution to our college.

### A CRISIS

In the last three Highways we have made a general appeal for financial assistance. The response has not been very great and it is with regret that we have to make another financial appeal. However, as we are writing, our financial need is great. To date most of the money received has had to be used to defray bills carried over from last year. We need money to honour our credit with our creditors for this year. In addition to this, your faculty has only received 50% of the salary due them on October 30th. Your Bible College cannot carry on long this way. Will you help us immediately? We are sure God will reward you for every sacrifice you make.

### FAITH:

A little girl in Sunday school was asked, "What is faith?" and she said, "Believing what God says without asking any questions."—Selected