

the constant effort to adorn the Gospel in all things. The purpose to be practically faithful to all the obligations of his calling in Christ Jesus, is, in fact, the dividing line which separates "the perfect and the upright man" from Christians of the average stamp. He cherishes an earnest spirit and pursues a holy and consistent course. Meet him where you may, you see in him the same devout and conscientious character. His religion penetrates his life, and his life is the bright and fair exponent of his religion. Though often failing to keep his own heart separate from evil, it is his constant aim to walk with God in true obedience all the day and everywhere. Thus he lives as "ever in his great task-master's eye," and having the testimony of a good conscience, that "in simplicity and godly sincerity he has his conversation in the world."

And further, to this simple dependence and true obedience of faith there is joined in the character of the perfect and the upright man a constant growth towards the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. Whatever be the point he starts from in this development of character, he is always pressing forwards. No one is more willing than he to acknowledge that he