their obligations to redeeming love, do not feel more deeply their duty, at least to pray, if not to labor, for the caweraion of those whose hearts have never been enewed by the Holy Spirit! Can they think of their former state of danger, while dead in trespasses and in sink and not be moved to compassionate the wretched condition of those who are perishing in guilt, nor be induced to abound in prayer that He with whom is the residue of the Spirit, would revive His work through the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If this spatially and indifference? One reason doubtless is that the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If this pathy and indifference? One reason doubtless is that the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If this spathy and indifference? One reason doubtless is that the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If this pathy and indifference? One reason doubtless is that the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If the spirit of prayer is no

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Here the question arises, what is the cause of all this apathy and indifference? One reason doubtless is that the spirit of prayer is not largely possessed. If christians have little of this heavenly prompting, we cannot expect them to be regular and carnest in observing the duty of social prayer. Excuses are sometimes made for the neglect of this duty; but they are mostly of a frivolous nature. Some do not, or will not, find time to attend prayer meetings; yet perhaps the very same individuals can afford to spend hours together in trifling conversation, listless inactivity, or possibly in frequenting taverns. Others imagine that the cause of God will prosper, and true religion prevail. gother in trifling conversation, listless inactivity, or possibly in frequenting taverns. Others imagine that the cause of God will prosper, and true religion prevail, without their being solicitous and prayerful on the subject; but they all the time forget or overlook the fact, that God will be enquired of by the house of Israel to do these things for them. Were such excuse-makers seriously to consider the reasons which induce them to neglect the meetings referred to, in the light of Scripture, with humble prayer for the teaching and guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are persuaded they would soon abandon them as utterly unfounded and vair. Without this consideration, no one should assume an attitude hostile to a cause esponsed by the vast majority of the

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