

and I doubt not that the language which we use may well seem to them strange and almost profane, and it would be profane if they were to use it, being what they are. I do not accuse them of open sin, but I do say, and will say, that he who is not a child of God cannot fitly use expressions which are most becoming from the lips of those who are the sons of God.

A child may say to his father what no one else dare to say, and yet he has more reverence for him than any one else. You must all rightly behave toward your father in a manner which you could not tolerate in a stranger. Look at the judge on the bench, with that big wig and those solemn robes; the prisoner at the bar and the court and the jury must all be very respectful and distant, but I warrant you when his lordship reaches home his grandchild has no dread of grandpapa or his robes.

Oh, beloved this is the joy of love that it brings us into such close personal intercourse with God in Jesus Christ that trembling, slavish fear is gone, and loving God we are familiar with Him, and trust Him implicitly.

My final word is this, let us, dear friends, as a church and people be a working people. Faith works, let us work because we have faith. Dear friends do.

Get to work for the master; you I mean who stand all the day idle. Go to work to day in the Saviour's vineyard. Oh my beloved brethern, I beseech you do not relax your energies. Continue to be a lively energetic church. Now that so many Sunday-schools need teachers, I charge our friends not to let that blessed part of the service flag. Here are dozen of schools crying out for teachers. The children come and there are none to instruct them. Should it be so?

If you are to be a working church you must be a loving church, because faith works by love. You must love one another,

Christ more, and love the souls of perishing sinners; yes, love them so that you will not let them perish if you can do anything toward their salvation. Personal doing of good to men is needed if love is to be real. The love of Jesus made Him seek and save the lost, and if ours be worth the name we shall be engaged in the like holy endeavour.

But if you are to be a working church and a loving church, you must be a believing church, for that is the bottom of it all. Faith works by love. Get home, then to prayer, and renew your faith in Jesus. May the Holy Ghost lead you anew to the dying love of Jesus. I often go straight away back to the cross from which I started when I set out for Heaven.

The devil says to me, "You are no Christian." I do not think he knows much about it, but I have before now tried to show him some evidence that I am a Christian, and he has only puffed at them. I find the short way is to go right away to the cross and say, "I rest on Jesus only." Satan cannot deny that you are a Christian when you stand there. Go and do your first works, and believe in Jesus as you did at the first, and abide in Him evermore. As sinners, cling to Jesus still, and let Him be everything to you. Constant faith will create fervent love, and fervent love will do persevering work; so shall ye be a people zealous for good works. The Lord bless every one of you, for Christ's sake. Amen.

THE GOSPEL IN THE PUNJAB.

MOHAMMEDANISM AND CHRISTIANITY— VERNAACULAR PREACHING.

As reported in the 'Edinburgh Courant' a desire was expressed in the late General Assembly for more light on some questions connected with the progress of Christianity in India. I am not an "outsider" but such value as my testimony may possess, I offer it in as far as the Punjab is concerned. I have made