

has won and kept the undying love of millions. Love to Christ is the strongest, purest, truest, and most enduring of all affections. It has led man's restless heart to its true home, its only refuge, the true object of its love, even God Himself.

Love is spiritual. It is born in the spirit and awakened in the heart and mind. It is set on things above, on One "whom, having not seen, we love." We love Jesus not for the fair beauty of face or form, nor for any of the earthly attractions which fascinate and win us in earth's sons and daughters. We love Him because He sums up in Himself all that is lovely and good and true. The natural feeling of the heart to those we cherish and hold most dear is born of flesh and blood, but our love to God has God Himself for its source and its never-failing fountain of supply.

Love is spontaneous. It is not added to our nature from without; it is a latent seed plant evolved from within. It is the breath of God within the soul. It cannot be bought. "If a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would be utterly contemned." "Love gives itself, it is not bought." There is no power on earth that can create it, or that can compel it. We cannot force ourselves to love anyone. There are things we can do by an act of will, but to love another is not one. "Love," as a great German