

by the Church must be after the wrongdoer to save its own life.

And the Church above all can pursue with unfaltering faith its supreme business of preaching the Gospel by life and word amid the worst surroundings. This never fails, and the evangel can redeem the slum. It is one of the glories and, in a sense, one of the heartbreaks of the down-town mission, that men and women who are led to Christ through its efforts soon find themselves able to leave their grimy surroundings and move to better districts. If the Church believed this intensely enough, and if Christian people would not allow down-town churches to starve and die, and if Christian men in the State would make and administer good laws, the slum would have to go. These are large "ifs" but they are not beyond the faith that can remove mountains. With man these things are impossible, but with God all things are possible. Let us get the right meaning of this great text and go on to victory.

It is quite likely that some of the things which have operated to cause a trek from the country to the city are being removed, or at least made less operative. The isolation that once characterized the country home is vanishing with the coming of the telephone, the trolley and the motor car. The tragic fate of many