

Hamilton plead with him. And at last, for the first time in all these dark years, Harry realized the terrible gulf, over which he was standing; and believed that God alone could hold him back from certain destruction.

He stood up, and with something of the old hope and enthusiasm kindling his eye, he said, "Mr. Hamilton, I believe all of your prayers have been answered. I know now my need of God and His willingness to help me. I solemnly promise that this shall be a turning point in my life. I shudder now to think where I might have been, but for their prayers, their faithful admonitions. And what would have become of my wife and children had we been poor, and had not Judge Harriston cared for them. I learned to-day that but for his intercession, I should have been discharged from the Bank more than a year ago. That is why I came home sober to-night, and why I am in a condition to listen to you. Oh! that I may have strength to keep my resolutions." And he added solemnly, "The Lord is my strength, in Him will I trust."

Isabel had been in her own room all the evening, watching by the children, who were recovering from a severe illness. As Harry entered her room that night he saw with clearer eyes than ever before, the great change in her. And how all the heart and manhood in him were shamed that so often her love had been so treated.