

So may Lent be a return to God for all of us. That the spirit of philanthropy is strong in human hearts, no one can deny. But that true religion is seldom found is equally true. If true religion is to flourish, there must be more diligent study of the teaching of Him who in thought, word and deed, perfectly expressed the mind and purpose of God. And if that teaching is to do more than provide a stimulus to intellectual activity there must be prayer and meditation. True prayer is the effort to rise to the heights of God's will. Meditation opens the channels through which Divine Grace enters the soul. These are the means whereby life is established on the rock of eternal reality, and through individual effort, the foundations of society are strengthened and renewed.

Ours is the glorious privilege of the sons of God—to aspire to true sonship and to claim the unfailing power of God's grace to sustain it. Thus may each one become a centre of influence, enriching our corporate life and giving it vision, direction, purpose. 'Our sufficiency is from God' throughout the journey and therefore journey's end may be also Christian's destiny. Live to make it so! In the power of Omnipotent Love we can toil through the shadows of the ascending valley to the uplands of eternal day.