

anticipate the blessing of the Lord upon their labors, or shall we hopefully look for better converts than they are teachers?

No selfish or worldly ambitious man should be recognized as a preacher of our Lord Jesus Christ. If a man loves gold, let him go to California or Australia; or if he has set his mind upon houses, let him journey to Lapland, where he may have the most fashionable sort by the half score, upon short notice and on easy terms; or if he wants soil, let him shift himself to Oregon, where he can have a mile square as a free grant from the "Heads of Department." But let no self-lover pretend to be a public servant of the Blessed One who died on the cross to save sinners. If he seeks earthly honor, and desires to glory in his own personality, and push his fellows beneath him that he may rise in the ratio that they fall, let him pursue the various policies of the world which may secure these objects; but let every preacher esteem his brother preachers at least equal to himself, and treat them accordingly.

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POSITION AND PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLES.

No. IX.

Can any of our good friends who have so much to say about the claims of Moses and the law, tell us why Stephen was martyred?—Can they explain the dispersion of Christ's disciples first congregated in Jerusalem city? Can they give us the reason why Paul after his conversion, was harrassed, plotted against, and persecuted by his countrymen the Jews from city to city, during an eventful lifetime? The answer to one or to all of these questions, in one point of view, is the same—and when the answer is fully given, we need no Geneva Reformer nor Edinburgh Doctor to show the points of difference between the religion established by Moses and the religion instituted by Jesus Christ, Lord of Heaven and earth.

It is somewhat striking, that the charge which resulted in the martyrdom of Stephen is the identical charge gravely preferred against the Disciples when they contrast the claims of the two covenants. "We have heard him speak," said the witnesses against Stephen, "we have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God;" and when they brought him up before the Council to be examined and dealt with, the accusation was, "This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place and the law." Yes, Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, had testified that "Jesus was Lord of all"—had "all authority"