

HAVE YOU PEACE WITH GOD.

YOU will say dear reader, this is a bold and searching question. So it is. But the importance of the subject demands it; and it is time to speak plainly and faithfully, for many souls are being deceived on this momentous subject.

The Son of God when on earth was personal and pointed in His ministry. He went straight to the heart and conscience of His hearers; and none ever so understood the real value of souls, or the perfectness of God's love. To one He said: "*Ye must be born again.*" To another, "*If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldst have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water.*" Again, we hear Him say, "*Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.*" And on another occasion, "*Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you.*" Thus we see the Lord's true faithfulness both on private and public occasions; and should not we, who profess to follow Him, be faithful.

In the present day the demand is urgent that our dealings with immortal souls should be close, earnest and affectionate. We are in danger of trafficking in mere doctrine, and of allowing its purity to be an excuse for coldness, deadness and formality. We are to present *God's love* to lost souls with the fervour and point that its eternal importance

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