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BE TRUE!



"**B**E true to yourself as a man—as a Christian man—as a man according to the pattern of Christ Jesus. Follow it. Let it be your perpetual guide. Let it direct you in your outlooking and forelooking. We are in the image of God, and are the children of God, who have been touched by the Holy Ghost. Our life lies through matter, above matter, and beyond matter; in time, through time, and beyond time. We are children of immortality. Around us angels wait. The divine ministrations of Providence work both outwardly and inwardly for us. God rules in our behalf. Heaven stands beckoning to us with sweet and bounteous invitation. Be true to that manhood which has immortality beyond it. Be true to that manhood which has for its father, God; for its friend, Christ; for its light, the Holy Ghost

"I exhort you to be true to yourself. Look up and behold the Exemplar, Jesus Christ. Pattern upon him, and thus aim at a better self than you can have here. Measure your life upon his life. Measure your soul upon his soul. Measure your disposition upon his disposition. Live so as, according to the strength of your nature in comparison with his, to reproduce the life of Christ in you. Live as Christ lived. Live for Christ. Then divine manhood will almost be yours on earth, and will ripen into divinity in the life that is to come.

"To the bountiful and blessed Providence that issues from the Heart of Love, I commit you. Young men and maidens, look I beseech you, away from your lower selves, up to your spiritual and divine selves. Nay, look away from yourselves entirely, to God. Fear him, and keep his commandments. That is *fil.*"—Henry Ward Beecher.