

THE SECRET OF A STRONG LIFE.

MILLET, the artist, Howard and Muller, the philanthropists, and Savonarola, the reformer, thought nothing of reputation, but were fully absorbed in their mission to men, and they are remembered for what they were and what they accomplished. When we are fully surrendered to God we do not live in a passive condition like a machine, but we become intensely active, being energized and directed by the divine Spirit. Hiding behind the cross we are glorified. Strength comes through weakness. We become mighty by having the Almighty on our side.

In our Christian life there is a twofold revelation of human weakness and divine strength. By letting go our own strength we become stronger than before. The drowning man is saved by letting go of his own strength and allowing the strong swimmer to save him. The secret of power lies in a life fully surrendered to God. A great cause makes a man important as a standard-bearer in an army or a private soldier in a famous battle. The cause of God makes the Christian great. A noble leader gives inspiration to his followers and ennobles them.