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drawing nourishment through the appointed means of grace, and expanding by giving forth the life in helping men and women in their trials, and pointing them, by godly precept and example, to Christ, as the source of all that is noble and true.

It is a great inspiration to meet a strong man moving in a lowly sphere, taking up his daily task for God, and contented to glorify his Master by doing his best in his station. If his occupation is to build bridges, he does the work so thoroughly that he adorns his religious profession by his work. He feels that God has called him to engage in that work, and he serves God in building the best bridges he can, not for the applause of men, but because his single heart will not allow him to do less than his best for men. God calls some men to live obscure lives. There are unnamed heroes in the Bible who were greatly honored by God, yet we know little of their history. We read in the roll-call of the heroes in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews: "Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: They

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