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The Upward Look Following Vain Things

And Samuel said unto the people, turn not aside from following the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart: And turn ye not aside; for then should ye ge after vain things, which cannot profit nor de-liver; for they are vain. I. Samuel 12: 20, 21.

be constantly refreshed by communion with God in order that we may have grace to live at our highest and best. That is what the prophet Samuel had in mind when he warned the people of Lerael not to turn aside from following the Lord, but to serve Him with ull the terms of the serve Him The more we study our own hearts The more we study our own hearts and examine our thoughts and motives the better are we able to appreciate the causes which led the ancient 1s-raelites to sins se grieviously and so often. Human nature has been the same through all the ages. The same sins of pride and selfishmess, as well as an undue desire to have a good (ime, and which blinded the people of 1srael to their duty to God so fre-ouently that we merced as we goed following the Lord, but to serve thim with all their heart. Otherwise, he pointed out, they were sure to go after vain things, which in time of need would be of no avail to save them The same warning comes down through the ages to us. The things of quently that we marvel, as we read their history, hew they could have done it, lead us into sin just as easily through the ages to us. The things of this world, including wealth and earthly blessings, will be a benefit to us only as we avecyt them thankfully as from God and strive to use them for His glory. It is a lowly thing to walk so close to God that our thoughts are fore the commune with Hi to be the second state. and even more often than was the case with them.

Our failures arise from our neglect to live as near to God as we ought. We all know that when we shut our eyes when out walking we scon go astray and get off the path. We do not, however, realize quite so clearly that when we allow our thoughts to that when we allow our thoughts to wander away from God for any con-siderable pericd, we quickly lose the power to keep from sin. FARM AND DAIRY

Sin cannot exist in God's prese

When our thoughts are underlaid by a more or less conscious desire to do God's will, Satan flees from us and

keeps at a safe distance. As soon, however, as we allow thoughts of our

work or of our pleasure to claim an

undue propertion of our attention, we soon begin to feel that, somehow or

other, things are going wrong. Just as the machinery needs frequent oil-

ing in order that it may perform its full measure of work, so we require to be constantly refreshed by communion in order that it may perform its

wark so close to do that our thoughts are free to commune with Him at any moment. Such is the truly happy life. Until we have attained to it we have not found what it is to live our lives to the full.—I. H. N.

. . . Be good and you'll be happy.

from their sins.

One Woman To Another*

By Mrs. Alberta M. Kepper. Farm women hold a peculiar and important place in the world. They are creators of new wealth; for by their labors the poultry industry has assumed one of the most important assumed one of the most important places in the list of farm outputs; millions of pounds of butter annually youch for their unremitting toil; the home garden, shelves heavy laden with filled fruit jars-all these bear testimony to their thrift. "She looketh well to the ways of her house

Primarily, woman's sphere is net in following gainful pursuits, but as the provider of the honey touch that the provider of the honey toucn that only a woman's hand heids, she cools the fevered brow, she smiles when others sigh, and she that hides anx-iety in time of trouble is more of a help to the husband than any material lift affords

COMPANIONS EVER AT HAND. Farming life and isolation need not Le synonymous, for lonely hours come the joy in the companionship of auth-ors. The whole river of literature flows at her docr.

Farm women who were denied an Farm women who were denied an education in youth need not dispair. By systematic reading they may ac-quire a self-cultivation that will serve them well. The world is an educator, get out in it and elbew along

*Extract from an address before the In-ternational Congress of Farm Women, held recently at Lethbridge, Alta-

Getting it into our heads that we know it all has dwarfed many a car-cer. We should, day by day, advance mentally all we can. Every farm wom-an should be buoyed in the spirit that the world looks te her for men dj unfaultering trust in right from principle. She has better opportunity to keep close to her boy than the mother in the city where so many fields is not the same that hovero ore the saloon berdered sidewalk. Our boys are safe with nature as ther Getting it into our heads that we are safe with nature as their companion.

Women everywhere should add new beauty touches to the home; the ar-tistic is adaptable to the ccuntry as well as the city. Music is not so tastice is addiptione to the cataly as well as the city. Music is not so hopelessly lost in the farm house as in the tenement where none has time to listen.

to listen. We must hold up the hands of our husbands, urging them to meet com-bination with cooperation that a fair measure of the profits of his toil may return to him, and when it seems necessary to retrench a little here and there, let us accept conditions cheer-fully; this is a test of the true wife and mother.

In our little kingdom of home let us pledge our talents for its betterment.

A loaf of dry bread may be made as good as new by dipping it in cold water and setting it in a hot oven for a few minutes

