

with a single individual. "He that is faithful in a little is faithful also in much.

YOUNG MAN.

He may be a stranger, lonely, and tempted. Speak "a word to him that is weary." If you decline, others may go to him and lure him to evil or ruin. The prize is too valuable to be neglected. What untold possibilities, for good or ill, in a young man. In "that" young man at whose feet the witnesses laid their garments at Stephen's martyrdom; or that young man whom Andrew brought to Jesus. "I write unto you, young men, because ye are strong. "By the young men of the princes of the provinces, in Ahab's reign, were the thirty and three kings, with their armies and horses and chariots of Syria, conquered. And so by young men in all ages are the battles, good and evil, largely decided." "Run, speak to this young man," and enlist him in the conflict of truth and good, against error and evil.

YOU HAVE SINNED.

"Do you know that you are a sinner? Do you say, "I don't know that I am very bad; I am better than a great many?" Don't compare yourself with some one else, but hear what God says about you.

"There is none righteous, no, not one." Rom. 3: 10.

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse, for it is written cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to know them." Gal. 3: 10.

Let me ask you, have you kept all of God's law? You say, "No, of course not, no one has." Very good. Your admitting that you have failed convicts you, for we read:

"Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2: 10.

If you think you are not a sinner, God says you are deceived.

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." John 1: 8.

"There is no difference, for all have sinned." Rom. 3: 22, 23.

This *all* includes *you*. While there are degrees of sin, there are no degrees as to the fact of guilt. "No difference," says God. A man one foot under water will just as surely drown, if not rescued, as a man ten feet under water; and so, a man

who has sinned in one point of the law will just as surely be lost as the man who has failed in all points of the law.

"There is not a just man upon the earth that doeth good and sinneth not." Eccl. 7: 20.

"From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores." Isa. 1: 6.

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately (incurably) wicked.—Jer. 17: 9.

In the light of all these verses will you say, "I am not bad, I never did any harm in my life," or "I am good enough."

If you see yourself a sinner, and want to know the remedy, read the following which tells you of God's love for you, and of Christ who saves:

GOD LOVES YOU.

Many seem to think that their chances for salvation depend upon the measure of their love for God—that he will love them in just the proportion that they love him—and if their love is weak, they fear they cannot be saved.

Satan knows that as long as he can have us occupied with ourselves and our cold love for Christ, just so long will we have our eyes off of Christ, and we will be in the dark.

When Mary and Martha sent unto Jesus, their message was not "Lord, he who lovest Thee," but "Lord, he whom Thou lovest is sick."

It is not our imperfect love for him that should occupy our hearts and minds, but his perfect love for us.

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins." 1 John 4: 19.

Notice, it is not our love for him, but his love for us.

"Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us." 1 John 3: 16.

"In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world that we might live through him." 1 John 4: 9.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3: 16.

As one has said, "We cannot love him by trying to love him, but by dwelling upon his love for us.

Behold what manner of love the Father

hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called sons of God." 1 John 3: 1.

Will you not behold it, and dwell upon it? Will you not believe and accept it?

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" Rom. 8: 35.

Satan is trying to keep you from knowing this love. He is blinding your mind that you may not believe it, because he knows that if you do, you will be saved.

"Oh! who can conceive it, oh! who can believe it, oh! who will receive it, this love so free?

YOU CAN BE SAVED.

We read that when Jesus was born in Bethlehem the message that the angels brought to the shepherds was:

"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Luke 2: 10.

This "all" includes you, and the message of "good tidings" is, that you can be saved. Just read,

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." 1 Tim. 1: 15.

"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19: 10.

Do you ask, "How may I know for sure that I can be saved?" Did you not see in the verses from God's Word on the first page that you are a sinner? Now, we read that Christ Jesus came into the world to save such.

The fact that you are a sinner assures you that you may be saved. You are as sure of salvation, upon the confession and forsaking of sin, as you are that you this moment have an existence.

"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." Prov. 28: 13.

And you may be sure he will accept you, for he hath promised.

"Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." John 6: 37.

No one can say, "I am too great a sinner, Christ cannot save me.

"Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1: 18.

"Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him." Heb. 7: 25.

Paul was a murderer—but the grace of God saved him. If he could be saved, surely you can.

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