

Keep her from party strife,
 Quenching her inward life;
 God save the Church !
 Unmask her subtle foe,
 Satan's devices show,
 Seeking her overthrow ;
 God save the Church !

As long as a sinner is conscious that all is not right with him, there is hope of his repentance. But let a man once give himself up to a false assurance that his soul is safe, and this assurance will lead him on in a blindfold security; the wretched man never discovering his mistake, until Eternity tears away his self-delusion. I firmly believe that where Despair slays its tens, False Assurance slays its thousands, ay, its tens of thousands. It is, in truth, Satan's most crafty and most fatal snare.—*Selected.*

“Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father.”

NONE of us can truly say that we have no work ready to our hand, that “we are indeed willing to do something for our Master, but there is no way open for us, we are so circumstanced that we really can find nothing to do.” Keble, in his beautiful lines for the 7th Sunday after Trinity, says: “Men love us or they need our love,” and these words are the answer to all such faithless, half-hearted sayings of ours. We can prove our love to God *only* by showing love to our neighbour, and unless a man or woman were forced to lead a life of complete isolation, there are *no* circumstances which could preclude works of love for Christ's sake. The first thing is to feel the desire, the earnest desire to do something for Him; feeling this, we will ask Him to show us a way, to make

plain our duty to us, if we do not clearly see it, and He will most surely answer our prayer. It may be that we shall be called to do a silent work, a work of patience and prayer; it may be our lot to be laid aside by sickness, and to see the busy life of the world flow by us, we incapable of taking any part in it, save by setting an example of patience, and by prayer for those for whom we can do no other labor of love. This work of patience is probably the hardest of all, and He who was perfect in patience will bless the humble soul who strives in this to follow Him. But in the vast majority of cases we have the opportunity of serving Christ actively in the world. We have our duties to those around us, and to the generation in which we live. “The poor ye have always with you.” Let us learn to look upon them as our brothers and sisters in Christ, let us never lose an opportunity of serving them, nay, let us make opportunities, and if our position be such that we do not easily come in contact with them, let us associate ourselves with those who have an organized plan for benefiting them, and ask for work. In most parishes, there is among Church members some organization of this kind, which needs support and assistance; but if we are living where nothing of this kind exists, then so much the more need is there that we should do something in His name, and, doubtless, the clergyman of the parish would thankfully accept our offer of help, and put work into our hands. Then there is the work of promoting Christian fellowship amongst the different classes of the community in which we live, there is the kindly word, the thoughtful act to be said and