Philistines were robbing the threshingfloors of Keilah, therefore he and his men went to the rescue. Saul was fiercely seeking David's life, and the ungrateful men of Keilah were ready to deliver up their benefactor. David took refuge from Saul in a wood, and it was there that the brave and faithful son of Saul found his friend and strengthened his hand in God. Jonathan told him to be fearless, for Saul could not find him. He said, with beautiful unselfishness: "Thou shalt be kind over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father

What a great soul he was in his wonderful humanity! He, the heir to the throne, was ready to accept God's will and take the second place, giving whole-hearted allegiance and devotion to his outlawed brother-in-law, who was hunted like a partridge upon the mountain.

Jonathan loyally pleaded David's cause in spite of his father's mad and jealous rage; until one day Saul cast a javelin at his brave son and Jonathan arose from the table in herce anger. His anger was not roused by injury done to himself; but it was for his friend, because his father had done him shame. In spite of Jonathan's gentleness and his wonderful meekness-real meekness is rare indeedhe was a strong and fearless man, and loyal-hearted as a man should be.

And so he strengthened the friend whom he loved, reviving his faith in man's honor and in God's faithfulness. Like John the Baptist, whose joy was fulfilled in the "increase" of his Great Kinsman, though it meant his own "decrease," the young prince gloried in the thought that his friend was to be greater than himself. . He was greater in worldly position—was he really as great a man? Of course, that is not for us to judge, and yet there is a glory of large-hearted generosity plainly visible in Jonathan, which is an inspiration to all who desire to win the prize of friendship.

Unless your friendship helps to strengthen your friend in God-makes him more ready to do his duty manfully— then you are injuring instead of helping him. Eve tried to prove her friendship for Adam by offering him a gift that was pleasant and profitable—from a worldly standpoint-yet was forbidden by God and conscience. And so the wife who loved him dragged him down, instead of helping him to climb nearer to God and holiness.

When St. Peter showed his love for his Master by trying to stop Him when His face was turned towards Jerusalemand Calvary—he was sternly rebuked. How astonished the discipline must have been with the knockdown blow he received, in answer to his affectionate appeal: "Be it far from Thee, Lord: this shall not be unto Thee.

The Friend he desired to save from shame and agony, turned on him as if he were a deadly foe, and said: "Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto Me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of

During the terrible ordeal of the war many women have strengthened in God smiling lips and steadfast eyes they have said good-bye, without shedding tears which might weaken the resolution of men whose duty called them straight towards danger and death. I heard to-day of a woman who was disappointed because her son preferred to keep out of danger. If you strengthened your son to go—and if his comrades have returned without him-your love should rejoice in his glory.

"Think! Would you wish that he had

stayed! When all the rest the Call obeyed? That thought of self had held in thrall His soul, and shrunk it mean and small? Nay, rather thank the Lord that he Rose to such height of chivalry;

-That, with the need, his loyal soul Swung like a needle to its pole; -That, setting duty first, he went At once, as to a sacrament.'

So wrote John Oxenham, as he contemplated a vacant chair.

I thank God every day for His price-less gift of friendship. First of all, of course, we should thank Him for His own strengthening fellowship-thank Him because He loves us too well to weaken our souls by over-indulgence or flattery. Those who shall win His great "Well done!" will know that the commendation is sincere. May our praise to our friends

be real and true. Flattery is always a poor gift, and it can never strengthen a riend in God; but genuine praise is an inspiration. It is humbling to know that a friend looks up to you-when you know he is far above you—yet it makes you eager to really be what he thinks you are. If the friend should happen to be— Christ-then you want to rise to His ideal of you and carry out His plans for

Friendship is a big subject and a fascinating one; but I must be careful lest I take up too much space and crowd my friends out of their rightful corner of our Ingle Nook. Let us catch something of the spirit of Jonathan, and rejoice whole-heartedly in the glory of our friends even though we may have to take second place. Yes, even though we may have to stand aside and see someone else take the first place in a friend's heart. As S. John the Baptist said—the bridegroom has the bride, but the friend of the bridegroom can still rejoice in his own lesser place. Those who cannot sing-or preach—can listen.

'All the others can sing,' he dolefully

'All the others can sing,' said he.
So he sat and drooped. But as far and The music was borne on the air's warm

tide. A sudden thought came to the sad little bird

And he lifted his head as within him it stirred:

'If I cannot sing, I can listen!' he cried, 'Ho, ho, I can listen!' he cried.''

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2596-Girls' Dress.

Cut in 4 sizes: 4, 6, 8 and 10 years. Size 6 requires 234 yards of 36-inch material. Price, 10 cents.

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2749—Girls' Dress. Cut in 5 sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years. Size 10 requires $3\frac{1}{2}$ yards of 36-inch material. Price 10 cents.

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Cut in 7 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. Size 38 requires 6 yards of 36 inch material. The dress measures about 21/4 yards at the foot. Price 10 c nts.

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Cut in 7 sizes: 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches waist measure. Size 24 will require 378 yards of 44 inchematerial. Width of skirt at lower edge, is 13/4 yards. Price 10 cents.

2602-Ladies' Dress.

Cut in 7 sizes: 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure. Size 38 will require 5 yards of 44-inch material. The dress measures about 21/8 yards at the foot. Price, 10 cents.

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