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own feast of happiness alone, and congratulate yourself that you have more than others.

In all your plans, efforts and pleasures seek the highest exaltation of your spiritual and immortal being .---Never stoop to anything that will bring a stain upon conscience. Never lend yourself to anything that misleads the mind or corrupts the Make the record of your life heart. such as you will not be ashamed to own when the secret of all hearts shall be revealed and the work of every man's hand shall be weighed Accept it in the balances of truth. ever as the great work of life to make vourself the noblest creature of God in this world, and to prepare for an equal rank with the highest and best of God's creatures in the world to come. In every condition and occupation let your conduct be such as shall do honor to the child and heir of the most high God.

Any young man who acts upon such principles will make himself a king. He may not live in a palace. He may not have thousands of his fellow men to offer him the help of their hands and the homage of their But beings mightier than all hearts. the armies of earth, angels from the throne of heaven, will delight to wait upon him. He can afford to be indifferent to all earthly distinctions. He can rise above all the hazards, sufferings and losses of this earthly He can count himself a king life. by the crowning of a Divine Hand, and the lord of his own destiny by a graciously given and divine right .---The world may despise him, it cannot put him to shame. The wealth

of the world may never pour its golden showers into his lap. He may never have the means of surrounding himself with the comforts and embellishments of cultivated society.

But he does not need the world's pity. He is not a defeated or disappointed man. At the end of the great conflict of life he is sure to be brought off conqueror and more than conqueror. In the final day the crown of victory will be awarded him in the presence of the assembled generations of men.—M.

"TO KNOW THEE."

The way to trust Christ is to know Christ. You cannot help trusting Him then. You are changed. By knowing Him faith is begotten in you, as cause and effect. I believe a great deal of prayer for faith is thrown away. The way to increase our faith is to increase our intimacy with Christ. We trust Him more and more the better we know Him.

And then another immediate effect of this is the tranquility that it brings over the Christian. How disturbed and distressed and anxious Christian people are about their growth in grace. Now the moment you give that over into Christ's care that aniety passes away. You see that it must follow by an inevitable process, that peace necessarily follows life and fellowship with Christ.

In the 15th of John when Christ gave His disciples the Parable of the Vine, He said, I will tell you why I have told you that parable. It is that your joy might be full. It was not merely a statement of the doctrine of the indwelling Christ. It was

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