

Suppose you should propose to me a certain reward for a certain piece of mechanism, I might believe that it was you that promised it, but I could not believe that I should receive the reward unless the mechanism was performed according to your stipulation. But should I agree to perform the labor required, I should anticipate the reward, and rejoice in hope. And is not this analogous to that saying. "Not every one who says to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom; but he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven." (Matt. vii. 21; Luke vi. 46. &c.)

Nothing, my dear sir, has induced me to trouble you with these remarks, but a desire to cast in my mite, while the rich are casting in of their abundance, for accelerating the general reign of our Lord and King. In christian affection, I subscribe myself yours,

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ORTHODOXY.—Orthodoxy, says a writer, will cover a multitude of sins, but a cloud of virtues cannot cover the want of the minutest particle of orthodoxy: whatever you do, be orthodox. Nevertheless it might be easily shown, that all Christian churches have suffered more by their zeal for orthodoxy, and by the violent methods taken to promote it, than from the utmost efforts of their greatest enemies.

A family where the great Father of the universe is duly revered; where parents are honored and obeyed; where brothers and sisters dwell together in love and harmony; where peace and order reign; where there is no law but the law of kindness and wisdom; is surely a delightful and interesting spectacle.

Like snow that falls where waters glide,  
 Earth's pleasures melt away;  
 They rest on time's resistless tide,  
 And but a moment stay.  
 But joys that from the Gospel flow,  
 Like stars that gild the night,  
 Amid the darkest gloom of woe  
 Shine forth with sweetest light.  
 The Gospel's ray no clouds obscure,  
 But o'er the Christian's soul,  
 It sheds a radiance calm and pure,  
 Though tempests round it roll;  
 His heart may break 'neath sorrow's stroke,  
 But to its latest thrill;  
 Like diamonds shining when they're broke  
 THAT RAY WILL LIGHT IT STILL.