

"HE CANNOT DENY HIMSELF."

I will suppose that a sinner is at this moment saying, "I believe that Christ can save me: I will go and ask Him—I will go and trust Him."

Ah, He will not deny Himself by rejecting your cry. I tell you, if He were to shut you out, dear soul, whoever you may be, if you go to Him, He would deny Himself. He never did deny Himself yet. Whenever a sinner comes to Him, He becomes his Saviour. Whenever He meets a sick soul, He acts as His physician.

Now, I have heard of persons who have been physicians, who were ill or weary, and wanted rest: an accident has happened, and they have felt inclined to get out of the way if they could, because they were very hard worked and worn out. They have told their servant to say, "My master is not at home!" But my Master never denied Himself. He will never get out of the way of a sinner. If you go to Him, you will find Him at home and on the look-out for you: He will be more glad to receive you than you will be to be received, for He "waiteth to be gracious." As Matthew sat at the receipt of custom, waiting for the people to pay their dues, so does Christ sit at the receipt of sinners waiting for them to mention their wants. He is watching for you. I tell you again that He cannot reject you: that would be to alter His whole character and un-Christ himself. To spurn a coming sinner would un-Jesus Him, and make Him to be somebody else, and not Himself any longer. "He cannot deny Himself."


Go and try Him: go and try Him. I wish some trembling soul would at this moment go and cast himself upon Christ, and then report to us the result. Come, poor, quivering seekers, sing in your heart, unbelieving as you are, that hymn of ours—

"I can but perish if I go,
I am resolved to try;
For if I stay away, I know
I must for ever die."

Oh, but if you were to perish at His feet, you would be the first that ever did so, out of all those who have ever come to Him; and that first man has never been seen yet. Go and try my Lord, and see for yourselves.—*Spurgeon.*

A missionary in Jamaica once asked the question of a black boy, when examining the school upon the verse, "Who are the meek?" The boy answered, "Those who give soft answers to rough questions."

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