

have a genuine respect for such as he, but we must remember that all belong to the family of God. If men are depraved in morals, boorish in manners or intolerable prigs we must look upon them as victims of forces which happily may not have touched us, yet brethren for whom Christ died.

I pass now to consider briefly a few points of detail in reference to our preparation for society. My first word is, let us take heed to observe that consideration and gallantry towards ladies that has always been reckoned as a mark of a true gentleman. Such a habit emanates from the best instincts of the heart and reacts upon us in a most beneficial way.

In the next place our personal appearance should not be above our care. Carefulness about our personal appearance in company indicates respect for those we meet and is a point in our favour. Unkempt hair, untrimmed beard, unshaven faces, unbrushed clothes announce carelessness which is a very poor introduction to the respect of any one.

Again we are supposed to be educated men, and of course people expect us to speak correctly. If we do not people are likely to look with suspicion upon our intellectual attainments. Educated people always seem to forgive with difficulty the faulty syntax of other educated people.

Another important factor in a clergyman, is well balanced *self-respect*. This is something entirely different from conceit or pride or anything of that sort. It is not a constant measuring of ourselves with others and rejoicing in the thought that we stand high. It is that consciousness that combines humility with confidence. It is a moral condition that results from a knowledge that we are doing our best and are as far as possible what we pretend to be. This gives us strength and stability, and when some Solomon arises in our parish and informs us of his disapproval, we will not grow alarmed or lay violent hands upon ourselves. This suggests another point in our social duties and that is the duty of apologizing when in the wrong. There is a sentiment abroad, and applauded as heroic, that recommends you to take your stand upon a given question and there remain. You are right and all the world may be wrong but it is "no surrender," "fight in the last ditch." There are times when this