

14. "For gin ye be forgiean men their fauts, yere Faither in Heeven wull e'en forgie you.

15. "But gif ye are no forgiean men their fauts, nae mair wull yere Faither forgie yere fauts.

16. "And again, whan ye are fastin, ye arena to be as the pretenders, wi' wae i' yere faces; for they mar their looks, that they may kythe afore men as fastin. Aye, aye! say I, they too hae their reward!

17. "But ye, whan ye fast, snod yere heid, and freshen yere face;

18. "That ye be-na seen by men to be fastin, but seen o' yere Faither wha is e'en i' the hidlin place: and yere Faither, wha sees i' the hidlin place, his ain sel sal reward ye.

19. "Lay-na up gear for yersel on the Yirth, whaur the moth and the roust mak-awa wi't, and whaur thieves howk throwe and steal.

20. "But lay ye up gear in Heeven, whaur nae moth and nae roust can mak-awa wi't, and whaur thieves canna howk throwe-nor steal.

21. "For whaur yere treasur lies, e'en thar yere heart wull be!

22. "The lamp o' the hail body is the ee; than, gin aiblins yere ee is aefauld and leal, yere hail body is fu' o' licht.

23. "But gin yere ee be dooble and ill, yere hail body bides i' the mirk. Gin, than, the vera licht within ye is but gloom, hoo unco great is the gloom!

24. "Nae man can tak service wi' twa maisters; for aither he wull lichtlie the ane, and lo'e the ither; or incontinent he wull haud by the ane, and care-na for the ither. Ye canna be in God's service, and Mammon's as weel!

25. "Wharfor say I t'ye, Be-na sair fash'd wi cark and care anent yere life—what ye are to eat, and what ye are to drink? nor yet for yere body, hoo ye are to be cleedit? Isna the life mair nor the meat? and the bodymair nor the cleedin?

26. "Look ye to the wee birdies o' the lift; for they neither saw nor shear, nor lead intil the barn: and yet yere Heevenlie Faither gies them meat. Are-ye-na a hantle better nor they?

27. "And wha amang ye, be he never sae fain, coud mak his sel a span heigher?

28. "And anent cleedin; why soud ye hae sae muckle cark and care? Look weel at the lilies o' the lea, hoo they growe; they toil-na, nor spin;

29. "And yet say I, that Solomon in a' his glorie was na buskit braw like ane o' thae!

30. "Noo than, gin God sae cleed the foggage, (the day on the lea, and the morn brunt i' the oven,) hoo muckle mair you, O ye o' the sma' faith!

31. "Sae be-na sair trauchl't i' yere mind, sayin, 'What sal we eat?' or 'What sal we drink?' or 'Hoo sal we be cleedit?'

32. "For o' a' thae things div the Nations seek eftir: but yere Heevenlie Faither kens weel that ye need a' thae things.

33. "But be ye seekin first o' a' God's reign and God's richtousness; and a' thir things sal be ower and aboon t'ye!

34. "Hae than nae wearin-care anent the day to come: for the morn wull hae care o' its ain. Eneuch for the day is its ain ill!

CHAPTIR SEEVEN.

Judge-ye-na, but pray: and seek the richt yett. And bigg-ye-na on the sands!

"JUDGE-NA; that ye be-na judged!

2. "For wi' yere ain judgment sal ye be judged yersel: and wi' yere ain firlo sal yere corn be measur't till ye!

3. "And why soud ye craftily spy oot the mote i' yere brither's ee, and think-na o' the caber i' yere ain ee?

4. "Or wull ye say till yere brither, 'Thole ye, till I tak oot the mote frae yere ee!' and behauld! a caber is in yere ain ee!

5. "Pretender! Oot wi' the caber frae yere ain ee first! and than may ye hae gude sicht to pu' the mote oot o' yere brither's ee!

6. "Ye maunna gie holie things to dowgs; nor yet cast pearls afore swine; that thir trauchle-them-na aneath their feet, and thae turn-na on ye to rive ye.

7. "Ask, and it sal be gien ye; seek, and ye sal hae; chap, and it sal be unsteekit t'ye.

8. "For ilk ane that asks obteens; and he fin's wha seeks; and till him wha chaps it sal be open't.

9. "And whatna man is amang ye, wha—gin his son asks for breid—wad gie him a stane?

10. "Or gin he asks a fish, wull he gie him a viper?

11. "Gin ye, than, bein sinfu', ken hoo to be aye giean gude things till yere ain