

A realization of this relationship brings us into inspiring contact with the saintly and heroic lives of every age and every country. In the great Service of Christian Fellowship we closely unite "with Angels and Archangels and all the company of Heaven." Helped by those on the heights above we stretch out a helping hand to those around and below us.

Under this head comes the duty of CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, so loudly called for to-day. This attitude is an integral part of Religion (1 John i 7) and should find practical expression of all kinds. Our Lord Himself has made the application to salutations (S. Matt v. 47); to hospitality (S. Luke xiv. 13); and to small acts of kindness (S. Matt. x. 42).

As a Religious duty, then, strive to put away coldness of heart, and stiffness of demeanour; and enter into the spirit and practice of Christian Fellowship.

But remember that, while a realization of our common membership in the Church does call for such actions, it does not *depend* on them. The Church is not a Social Club, and the fellowship of the Church is, after all, not that of the ball-room with its superficial courtesies. Rather is it the more undemonstrative but deeper comradeship of the Naval and Military Service. As a soldier in the Divine Army look to the great Captain, and be content to follow him even though the path be lonely. While careful to do your duty to others, do not weakly depend on their attitude to you.

Our Religion should have its foundation not on man, but on God.