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out by lip, and especially by life, the story of the cross.

The noblest band of missionaries our Church and country, or any country, can possibly have, are the men and women who profess to love Christ, living their religion, and the purer and holier and more Christ-like the life, the more will they shine as lights in the world, holding forth the Word of Life. Truth lived is a thousand fold more powerful than truth merely taught. You remember the incident told by Henry Drummond, of a young girl whose perfect grace of character was the wonder of every one who knew her. She wore upon her neck a locket which no one was ever permitted to open. One day, in a moment of unusual confidence, a companion was allowed to touch the spring and learned its secret. She saw written these words: "Whom, having not seen, I love." This was the secret of her beautiful life; and, what the Church needs to-day more than anything else, is men and women so indwelt by the Spirit of God, that every one with whom they come in contact will be constrained to realize that they have been with Jesus.

With Jesus! Yes, we remind you—we desire to remind ourselves—of Him who came from the far distant land in mercy for us, and what did He give for us? Not silver or gold, for we were not redeemed with such corruptible things as these but He gave Himself, poured out the very blood of His heart upon Calvary's cross, from love for you and me; and now, from yonder throne above, as His compassionate eye ranges over the spiritually dead in our