

personality. He is free to disobey, but always at his own risk. If he disobeys, his father loves him still, because he recognizes in the son his own image. The image may be marred, but it is not destroyed. The body may be disfigured, the intellect dulled, the will weakened, and the conscience numbed but the image is still there.

God has no physical form. Therefore, to say that man was made in his image does not refer to the body. It means that man was made in the spiritual likeness of God, for God is spirit. It means that because God is person we are persons too, with all the faculties that personality implies. It means that because God is a moral Being therefore, man has a moral nature. Holiness and love were the essential characteristics of original man. But man is still essentially good. The image has been defaced but not destroyed. The lost coin still bore the image and superscription of the King, even though it did not know it.

Because man is possessed of this moral faculty, the perfect image of the divine may be restored in him. He cannot restore it himself, no matter how well he may try. It is God who makes "the light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, to dawn upon him."—2 Cor. 4: 4.

What a wonderful creature man is! Endowed with such a nature, made in such an image, we need not wonder that God should have such infinite concern for his salvation. But Mrs. Eddy