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the end. For perseverance is morally beyond our power, as we shall presently is show, and therefore perseverance is a sovereign gift of God over and above all other gifts and graces which we have received. God has not made us to be machine; for He has given to every man a will like His own. If we were inanimate, irresponsible, immoral, for

A MACHINE HAS NO MORALITY, we should not have the dignity of men, we should not have the glory of the sons of God." No: God has given us the greatest of all trusts—a free will; and on the use we make of that free will depends our eternal salvation. But our free will alone is not enough. There is another will working in us, and that is the Divine will of God. But our nature has been wounded with three great wounds by the fall of man, and the will that is in us continually varies and departs and deviates from the will of God. Nevertheless, the will of God is continually in us, redding with us either by actual grace or habitual grace, reclaiming our will to Himself, if we are faithful. There are two other truths. The one is that every soul that enters into eternal life will be saved by the gift of God. The other is that every soul that is cast out into "the outer darkness" will be lost by its own will. St. Paul exactly expresses this when he says, "Have confidence in this very thing that He who hath begun a good work in you will perfect the same unto the day of Christ Jesus." The beginning and the perfection are both from God. God by His own most free will created all things. There was a time when we were not—when

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that any are lost because God does not give them sufficient grace for salvation. But it is morally certain that all men do not correspond to the sufficient and efficient grace which is given them. They baffle and defeat it. What is physically possibly, morally is not. Ask yourselves how many graces of the Holy Spirit have you not lost through want of watchfulness? They have come down upon you like the rays of the sun upon a barren shore and produced no result. Again, when you have been conscious of them, and desired to correspond with them, those graces have been like a hundred in their quantity; your correspondence with them in proportion has been like ten. Ninety of these gifts of God have been wasted. Again, even if you correspond with the whole hundred, your correspondence may have been languid, cold-hearted, reluctant, instead of being fervent; and the spiritual life within you became lower, and then temptations, which are strong, came round you. Therefore it is certain that unless there were a last sovereign gift which will be given to all who are faithful—not so much through our own prayers as through intercession of which we have not known—no one of us would persevere to the end. And therefore remember this—perseverance is A DUTY ON OUR PART, A GIFT ON GOD'S

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himself, gone on his knees, and prayed to God. Every one of these acts is an act of our free will; and therefore if any of us are lost it will not be by the will of God, but by our own free will. And in the outer darkness the worm that dieth not—which is the keenest of all pain—will be the conscious remorse that we have lost the vision of God for all eternity, and that we have lost it through our own free will. And therefore from what I have said let us learn great humility. It is only by the grace of God that we are what we are in His sight.

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Father, and of losing the vision of peace in the sight of God in eternity. And it will also give us a great fear of sin, of temptations—which is more refined. Once more, all that I have been saying should give us great confidence. We should be able to understand these mar vellous words of the Holy Spirit, "The vellous words of the Holy Spirit, "The vellous words of the Holy Ghost." That is what is given to you, and there is the beginning of the grace of perseverance, which will be made perfect unto the day of Christ Jesus if you are faithful. And therefore what joy there should be considered. The complaints in a short time. It is the only medicine for woman's peculiar ailments, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee, from the manufacturers, that it will give satisface of the understand these complaints in a short time. It is the only medicine for woman's peculiar ailments, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee, from the manufacturers, that it will give satisface of the understand the power of the Holy Ghost."

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