

traitors to our best interests. Nay, we would regard them as less offenders against the good we possess, or that is possible within us, as an atom is to a mountain, as one who would rob us of our purse, or that which effects us for time only, as compared to those who would rob us of the right to choose and govern our own soul's concerns.

The French nation in having to pay the enormous indemnity of the Franco-Prussian war, with the sacrifice of the provinces of Alsace and Lorraine, were less losers than we would be to lose our individuality in giving up the right of personal self-government, to an enemy within our own borders.

That God intended man individually to be king and priest, and have dominion over his own actions, in the sphere of morals, is proved by the words, "The soul that sinneth it shall die." Again, "The son shall not have to bear the iniquity of his father; neither shall the father bear the iniquity of his son: the righteousness of the