

choice. How widely different was this from the call of Gideon, and how painfully characteristic of the last days of declension—this inter-meddling of man.

(*To be continued, D.V.*)

ROMANS VI. 22.—If we live unto God, there will be the knowledge of what good and evil is *in the eye of God*. Not only that you live to Christ as to outward devotedness, but you will get your heart withdrawn from the influence of the things which drew it formerly away from Him. Therefore, in plain, common life, O let God be everything! Be not like one slipping and getting on, and slipping and getting on—as Christians often are—but be advancing quietly and steadily; increasing in separation to God: then you will have “fruit unto holiness,” yourselves being servants to God.

FRAGMENT.—How little can we say as Christ could, “I live by every word of God,”—everything in His moral nature being the expression of that word.

Does everything in you so flow from God, that your minds are merely channels of His word? *That is Christian life*. Is your life spent either in looking to God, or in coming forth from God? *That is Christian life*. Or, how far are you going on merely holding your head just above water, that you may not be drowned, and may breathe the fresh air of heaven enough to preserve life?