

ers tossed in the ship of the Church, on the sea of this world. They draw good and bad fishes into the net of the Church Visible, which is always strained by schisms, and on the point of breaking asunder. The second, *after the Resurrection*, represents the Church's labor as accomplished, and the good fish drawn to the *land* of everlasting life;—the fishers of the Gospel sitting at the banquet with their Lord, on the peaceful shore of life everlasting, after their own resurrection through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.—*Woodsworth.*

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### TEN LITTLE PEARLS STRUNG TOGETHER.

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1. The Dead Sea is always *receiving*, and never *giving*. That is what *makes it dead*. You are always receiving, how about the *giving*?

2. *Self-denial* is easier than *repentance*.

3. Absent yourself from Church, and you starve your soul, discourage your minister, and depress the congregation.

4. Stand up for your Church, as you would for your mother.

5 Make no engagements on week nights when there is Service at your Church.

6. After the benediction, ask God to bless to your soul, and the souls of the congregation, the services. Then *go home*. Don't stop to talk in the Church, nor on the street.

7. Don't be afraid to speak out in the responses. Let your voice be heard.

8. If you are far from Church, and feel lonely, remember the vast army of 200 bishops, 30,000

other clergy, and millions of privates. Read your Prayer Book over, and join in spirit with your brethren in the same old words of praise and prayer ascending up to God from all quarters of the world. You are not alone. Speak to the great Head of the Church, and He will answer. You are a sentinel on the outposts. Be faithful, and watch unto prayer.

9. St. Matthew was called from the receipt of custom to serve God. The business men of to-day have a harder task, to serve God at the receipt of custom.

10. In the long run, the Church that steadily trains and teaches, will outlive the Church that only amuses and startles.

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### THE CONFESSION.

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An intelligent woman who for years had worshipped with dissenters was drawn to the Church by a better understanding of our beautiful and scriptural service. She said to her clergyman—"I shall never forget this prayer; it is engraven with the point of a diamond upon my heart. It was, sir, while joining in this confession, crushed under a sense of my own utter unworthiness and exceeding sinfulness, acknowledging to God that I was a *miserable offender*, and pleading with Him *to spare me*, and *restore me* to His favor, *according to His promise declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord*—it was while confessing my sins along with the congregation, and urging my plea in the language of this prayer, that light broke in upon my darkened soul—the load of sorrow which had for days weighed me to the earth was sud-