

perfect here.' And if Parson Wesley ever came across such I can fancy his being aggravated terrible, for they *be* aggravating, and have many a time angered me. And I can fancy his going up to them in his brisk way, and saying, 'You poor, foolish souls, you'll never get to Heaven at all in that way; and if you don't get sin out of your hearts *now* you'll find it'll be *death* by-and-bye. Get up and fight with your sins like men. The Almighty never meant you to go on sinning and groaning, and groaning and sinning. He says you are to be *holy*, you're to be *perfect*, and what the Almighty says He means. Get up and try, and you'll find He'll help you.' And if they do try, the Almighty does help them; and instead of keeping on sinning and moaning, they'll be singing and doing right. They'll be loving the Lord and loving each other. And," continued Betty, "that's what I think Parson Wesley means by 'perfection.'"

"Some folks," she resumed after a pause, "seem to think going to Heaven is a kind of change of air, that'll make their souls well all in a moment, just as other folks think going to London 'll make their bodies well all in a moment. But I don't see that changes of place make the body any better, and I don't see why it should the soul. Parson Wesley says eternity and eternal life, and forgiveness of sins, and holiness, and Heaven itself, must begin in the soul, here and now, or they'll never begin there and then. And," she concluded, "Mrs. Kitty, my dear, it's my belief that's what Parson Wesley means by 'perfection;' and if he means anything else, or anything wrong, it's no concern of mine, my dear, for Parson Wesley's not the Bible, and it isn't at *his* judgment-seat we've got to stand."

PRAYER.

"Of what an easy, quick access,
 My blessed Lord, art Thou! How suddenly
 May our requests Thine ear invade!
 To show that state dislikes not easiness,
 If I but lift mine eyes my suit is made;
 Thou canst no more not hear than Thou canst die."

—Herbert.