

ought. The very air is vocal with the calls of God, the very horizon is blazing with signal lights. Who will come forward and say, "Here am I, send me?" Who will bring their silver and gold with them and lay on God's altars their abundance?" Who will go into that holy of holies, where wrestling Jacobs become prevailing Israels, and learn the secret of that mighty prayer which brings down showers of blessing upon earth's dry and barren wastes?

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### ONE OF THE SADDEST THINGS IN LIFE.

"Did you ever think that one of the saddest things in life is in the power one human being has to make another miserable? How hard it is and how difficult to prevent."

Our power to make another being miserable, or to make another being happy, is a wonderful thing. Every day of our lives we can use it for good or for evil. In the home-life, even with those whom we really hold the nearest and dearest, how often we do and says things to make some of them wretchedly unhappy. The wrong-doing of others is a hard thing for innocent persons to be weighed down with, and oftentimes the friends of the wrong doers, the ones nearest him, feel the humiliation and wrong even more keenly than the wrong-doer himself does. We have such a little time to stay, let us see to it that we do everything we can to make everybody happy, and if we do in an unguarded moment injure the feelings of any one, let us ask forgiveness, and restore as soon as possible the kindly thoughts and bright-heartedness, which we caused to be clouded over by rash words or acts.

### "HOW LONG HALT YE?"

Reader, if you are in earnest you will not be content without knowing you are saved; and surely it is high time you were in downright earnest.

God is in earnest in His desire to have you; the devil is earnest in his desire to damn you; I am in earnest in my anxiety to see you brought to God; you are the only one careless in the matter, and it is your soul which is at stake for eternity.

What an awful thing, a sinner unconcerned about his eternal salvation! God was so concerned as to send His only begotten Son that you might not perish. The Lord Jesus was so concerned that He came and suffered and died, the just for the unjust."

### CALEB—A MODEL FOR CHRISTIANS.

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Caleb is one of the noblest characters in the Old Testament. His whole biography is condensed into a few bright and beautiful sentences. He was the chieftain of a clan in Israel, and during the long march in the wilderness, was selected as one of the deputation to go ahead and spy out the land of Canaan; he came back helping to carry the luscious load of Eschol-grapes, and joined with Joshua in making a strong report in favor of the immediate occupation of the land. Their report was submitted to the "committee of the Whole." The people were panic-stricken when they heard of the "giants in the land," and clamored for a retreat to Egypt; but Caleb came to the front, and made a ringing speech for the advance, and he did it in face of the cowards who threatened to batter him to the ground with stones. God's verdict on his unflinching heroism was in these brief words: "My servant Caleb will I bring into the land, who hath followed me *faithfully*." In another passage it reads: "He hath followed me *fully*." God is always as good as His word, and He was in this case. While the rebels and the poltroons all perished in the desert, steadfast old Caleb lived to own the beautiful acres on the hills of Hebron, and in full view of the verdant vale of Eschol.

Caleb is a model for the Christians most needed in these days. Quality is more important than quantity. Caleb is the type of thorough-going, uncompromising fidelity; he followed the Lord *fully*. What is required to make our churches vigorous and successful, is not bustle, but business; not parade and puffery or pulpit-pyrotechnics, but patience, prayer, and persevering work. We want the full following of Jesus Christ with the whole heart, and for the whole life campaign. Christ started His Church on the principle of entire consecration. "He that is not for Me is against Me." It was thorough-going discipleship to the death or nothing. That sharp test, "Sell all that thou hast and follow me," frightened the selfish young ruler back to his farms and to his fate. Jesus wanted no half-hearted disciples. He kept sifting His nominal followers, and out of the whole number there remained eleven men and a few faithful women to lay the foundation of His Church at the time of Pentecost. These were like Gideon's gallant three hundred water-lappers, who were worth more than all the rest of his army.

To follow Christ fully, requires a thorough conversion at the start; a conversion from sin realized and repented of, to a Saviour realized, and firmly grasped. Half-way con-