

## 224 Quiet Talks on Personal Problems

Here was the exquisite tact of a perfect gentleman combined with the highest standard of conduct. His service controlled in his life and actions. Here is a great simple question suggested that goes at once to the very heart of this whole matter of questioned things: Should not service—thought for others whom we would win by both direct and indirect touch—control every one of us who belongs to Jesus Christ?

### The Law of Love.

There is a very simple law to follow here. It is Paul's law. He got it from the Holy Spirit. It is *the law of love*. It speaks thus:

Whatever dulls the sensitiveness of my spirit towards God, or takes the fine, tender edge off my thought of Him must be ruled out, for He is my Lord.

Whatever injures or weakens my body, or affects my mastery of it, must be ruled out, for it is the temple of my Lord.

Whatever affects hurtfully the earnestness and clearness of my witness to Jesus Christ before others must be ruled out, for it was His parting wish that I be a witness for Him to all men.

Whatever lessens in any way, even through prejudice or misunderstandings, the results of my service must be ruled out, for to influence men for Him is to be the passion of my life.

Whatever may cause my brother to stumble in his Christian life must be ruled out, for that would grieve Jesus.