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cation, of body, soul, and spirit? Is it a small thing to keep back any part of that price which so sacredly belongs to God? And just as truly may it be kept back by the fearfulness of unbelief, as from an unwillingness to comply with any other requirement. Upon such as do not esteem it a subject of momentous interest, may the Holy Spirit impress the force of that solemn truth, "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." But to such as are waiting at the foot of the cross, feeling that the excellency of the knowledge of this grace is better than life, I would say, You will find it in this exercise.

Bring the offering of all your redeemed powers; not only *to* the altar, but, through Almighty grace, lay the sacrifice *upon* the altar. Do not delay, because nature shrinks from making the surrender *now*. Now is God's time: 2 Cor. vi, 2, "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." The acceptance of the gift does not depend upon the worthiness of the *offerer*, or the *greatness of the gift*, but upon the sanctity of the ALTAR: Matt. xxiii, 19, "For whether is greater, the gift, or the altar which sanctifieth the gift?" It is by *virtue* of the altar upon which the offering is laid that the gift is sanctified: Exod. xxix, 37, "And it shall be an altar most holy; whatsoever *toucheth the ALTAR* shall be holy." CHRIST IS THE CHRISTIAN'S ALTAR. Lay body, soul, and spirit,