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rethren, I fancy if St. James were reasing the Christians of our day he lid be inclined to lay a little more as upon the kearing of the word, for tever may be said about the "doers he Word" it cannot be denied that number of those who hear God's

Brechines, I most cities to determine the control of the word, for the steer upon the howing of the word, for the steer control of the word, for the steer control of the steer c of our calling. "He who has ears to hear let him hear," says our Lord. Indeed, brethren, we all have ears, and why is it, then, that we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we do not hear? I said tell you why we come to hear the Word with hearts filled with worldly cares or even evil desires, with deeprooted attachments to things unlawful, with no intention of learning how to lead better lives. It it were only something new we had to learn, some new dootrine, some new and fanciful creed; but no, it is the same Word that was apoken to the early Christians, only new by its practical

dows of the word of God, but we must corry out practically in our every day life the lessons and inspirations which have been offered us through the ministry of preaching. For if a man, says he, be a hearer of the Word and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his natural countenance in a glass; for he beheld himself and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was. Be not like this man brethren, if you would save your souls. When listening to the Word of God, wherein the wants, the failings, the defects of your souls are mirrored forth, go not your way forgetful of what, through God's grace, has been revealed to you, but with meekness receive the engrafted Word, which is able to save your souls, and blessed will you be if you hear the Word of God and keep it.

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But now, brethren, mark how St.
James would have us not deceive ourselves. It is not enough, he tells us, to
come here Sunday after Sunday and
listen to the Word of God, but we must be
dose of the word; that is to say, we must
carry out practically in our every day among the sacramentals, and holy water becomes the means of increasing sanctifying grace. The blessing of the priest at the end of the Mass reminds us of our Lord lifting up His hands and blessing His Apostles before He left them. The priest's blessing brings peace and sanctification, yet the priestly power of benediction comes forth from the power of the Bishop as a stream flows from its fountain. In the Bishop it resides in a plentitude that is surpassed upon earth only by the still completer fulness of the Apostolic blessing. Whenever we meet our Bishop, we throng about him and kneel till he has blessed us; and in the church, as he passes to and fro, he scatters his benediction around him, or still, more solemnly chants it from the altar. Our hearts are soothed and strengthened, we scarcely know how; but we should be mindful that we depart from the hallowing influence upon us of a benediction that specially dedicates all upon which it falls to the sacred service of God.

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"I am not a Protestant," he said, "fast of the Christ across the lands firstly are fartily are forther to a protect of the Scred Heart.

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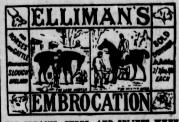
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