

Dead bodies from the ground, horrid crimes written in the book of God's memory, great authors from their works, shrieks from under the unmerited lash, groans for a hopeless life, souls debased and largely robbed of the image of God in which they were created, — these, these shall be witnesses against the man who by vote, or word, or guilty silence, aids in letting slavery loose upon Nebraska.

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## THE CULTURE OF CHILDHOOD.

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THE first thing in religious nurture of the young is to awaken what is termed, in general, the religious sentiment; that is, those sentiments and affections which connect man with God, — gratitude, reverence, trust, awe, submission to his will, the desire of his approval. And this part of education should begin in earliest childhood. The idea of the goodness and care of God, and his love of goodness and kindness and truth, should be blended, inextricable, with the child's first thoughts, with its earliest enjoyment of the natural world, with its earliest pleasures and notions of duty. And this, among others, for two reasons. First, because a filial reverence for God is the only trust worthy foundation of a virtuous character. When such a sentiment grows up from childhood, firmly associated with the habits of the mind and the responsibilities of life, we have the best assurance we can have, that the man will be sensitive to the calls of duty, and that, even in his neglects and failures, he will feel that he