

the regenerating power of the Spirit of God. We could wish that Christian Churches were less obnoxious to the same charge.

But see that soul, renewed by the grace of God with faith in Christ, and Christ in him, going away to the foot of the Cross, to gaze, to meditate, and to pray. He takes a firmer grasp of Him who glorified the Roman symbol of disgrace with his sacrificial gore. The child of God went thither burdened with temptation, and a sense of his own weakness. Back from that solitary and sublime communion with his Lord he comes, the burden still pressing, but his soul reinvigorated with more than human strength to bear it. Send such strength out into the world—let the prince of darkness assault it with his hellish arts—it quails not.

Oh, young men, would you have a strength that will ennoble and endure? *Be strong in the Lord Jesus Christ.* The might of muscle, the pre-eminence of mental culture, the masculine force of moral instincts, the firm resolve of the Will, high social position, respectable membership in a Christian Church, zeal in some semi-religious fraternity of youth, must not, cannot be substituted for conjunction and communion with Christ through a Faith begotten in the inmost depths of the soul by the regenerating grace of God. You have—as we all have—a fearful conflict to wage. Would you stand your ground? Would you have the moral pluck to reply to the bribes of fortune and the appeals of friendship, attempting to seduce you from fidelity to Right and Duty, I have no conscience