

THE CITY PULPIT.

THE END OF GOSPEL TEACHING.

A Sermon Delivered Yesterday Morning, at the Arch Street Methodist Episcopal Church, by the Rev. Thomas M. Griffith.

[SPECIAL REPORT FOR THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.]

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Much may be done to save even the corrupted multitude that we find outside the gates of hell; but oh! ye lovers of humanity, take your stand at the entrance gates, look well at the passers, there lift up your warning voices, and permit not one to enter upon his downward course without an effort to save him. In this good work are engaged all who are helping to build up and sustain a Christian church, as well as the members of the "Bands of Hope," the "Christian Associations," and the "Temperance Unions" throughout the land.

The second great quality which the text speaks of is a good conscience, or, as perhaps is meant, an unwearying obedience to conscience, the term good being transferred in meaning from the conscience itself to that obedience which should always be accorded to conscience.

The conscience is a faithful ally, an unwearied and persistent collaborer with the minister of the Gospel, amid all the opposition which he encounters from the senses, worldly tastes, and fleshly impulses.

Let conscience, then, be enlightened by the Word of God, be your guide and guardian angel; and let its slightest whisperings be heeded and cherished as the very music of heaven.

But, in addition to a pure heart and a good conscience, faith is necessary to make a model character; yes, faith unfeigned. Without this, faith would have nothing Divine to rest upon.

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THE DUTY OF HUSBANDS.

A Sermon Delivered Yesterday Afternoon, at the First Independent Church, by the Rev. John Chambers.

[SPECIAL REPORT FOR EVENING TELEGRAPH.]

A large congregation assembled in this church yesterday afternoon, to listen to a sermon preached by the Pastor on the "Duty of Husbands." During the discourse which followed upon this topic, the deepest interest was manifested, profound attention was given, and many an eye was dimmed with tears at the pathetic story of sorrow of loving wives and faithful husbands because of a husband's neglect.

The speaker remarked that there two sides to the question of married life. Providence permitting, he would at a future day discuss the other, the "Duty of Wives."

And so it is throughout all the great range of life, whether social, civil, religious, or domestic. The man who designs to become a true, good, excellent, and honorable husband, must take the Bible for his guide. The woman who designs to be the high position of a wife and mother, and do so truly, honestly, and righteously, must, it she do that to the advantage of

the world, and the benefit of mankind, follow the scriptural teaching contained in that "book of books." The parent, the child, the master of a family, the servant, the rich as well as the poor, must all be ruled by the same law.

The marriage relation is one of God's own establishment. It is the most sacred and unbroken bond of the creation, the most precious and unchangeable relation that God has instituted by the God of peace, to promote not only the universal diffusion of the race of man, but to make him the great and holy centre of all earth's joys and happiness.

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speaking a word to her. If she asks you a question, meet it with a hasty answer; never encourage her; never give her a smile of approval, words of love, or looks of kindness; but regard her loving mother with heart of cold indifference; pass out of the house early in the morning, and return late at night, and you will soon see the effect of your conduct.

With no place in the universe that can induce you to leave it. Love and cherish your wife; cherish her; do not do it, woman desire or need so much as a word of encouragement, more powerful when it comes lovingly from a husband's lips.

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