

EVANGELIST TALKS ON CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

AN UPLIFTING SERMON BY NOTED DIVINE DELIVERED IN HOWARD CHURCH

Rev. B. F. Campbell Closes Successful Series of Evangelistic Meetings at Howard With Inspiring Sermon, Sunday, Jan. 25th.

(Sermon preached by the Rev. B. F. Campbell, Evangelist, at Howard, Penna., Sunday, January 25, 1914.)

Text:—"Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you."

John Wesley promulgated his peculiar views of the higher life, various names were speedily attached to it, such as Perfection, Christian Perfection, Entire Sanctification, and the Higher Life, and such can't phrases as "The Second Blessing," or "The Having Attained."

Now there is just as much in understanding what Christian Perfection is not, as there is in understanding what it is. I confess that in these days of misunderstanding and misrepresentation, it takes a great deal of grit, grace and wisdom to stand up for the Bible truth, and wrest it from the prejudice and opposition of its enemies.

Now in the second place, Christian Perfection is not angelic perfection, as it does not pertain to angels, but to human nature. Down at Penna Dale near Williamsport, three years ago last summer at a camp meeting a certain woman in the middle of the congregation got up and said, "I am as perfect as an angel," and when she sat down a big fellow in the rear of the church called out "We shudder, why don't you take wings and go to heaven?"

In the third place, Christian Perfection is not celestial perfection, as we are creatures of clay, with a mortal, mental, moral and physical disabilities of sin, just as long as we are in the flesh. Their complete extinction will take place when Jesus Christ shall come to change "These bodies of their humiliation," and make them, "Like unto his glorious body."

Now in the next place, Christian Perfection is not bodily perfection, since our bodies are not invulnerable. You and I are the pitiable victims of sickness and physical weakness. We age and lose the power of youth in its vigor and strength; but our Lord will fashion anew the body by a glorious transformation.

said, "Good-by, I don't want anything more to do with you." Now do not think if you are perfect in health that your soul is saved, for it is not necessary so. There have been instances of people who have gone down under sickness, but that does not indicate that they are not saved. You may be perfect in body, and still your heart may not be right with God.

In the next place we will see that Christian Perfection is not a dramatic perfection, as his was a natural endowment, ours a gracious enrichment. In Eph. 2:8, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God."

Now in the next place it is not our own work. We cannot make one hair white or black, nor add to our stature nor take away, nor can we cleanse our hearts any more than we can convert them. We must yield our hearts to God. He alone can purify them.

Now in regard to freedom from thoughts of evil. There is a logical difference between thoughts of evil, and evil thoughts. Evil thoughts may and will come from an evil heart; the thoughts of evil are from within us.

Now in the next place Christian Perfection is not an attainment; it is an abiding. Heb. 9:12, "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

Now in the next place Christian Perfection is not a state of constant over-joy. It is a state of peace, but not of perpetual joy need not be dismissed from our thoughts; but reason, and the Bible are against those that teach constant joy. Jesus said "In the world ye shall have tribulations."

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about, this is only an incident in the life of every man, if he be a Christian or not. Gen. 17:1, God said to Abram, "Walk before me and be thou perfect to me, my friend."

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that, write it down." But she said that it was very simple, "Just take a pint of cream and whip it until it will stand alone."

Now in regard to the building up of personal character: Christian character is a result of objective and subjective forces. It is what we really are. Self perfection is self deception. Do not think that there is such a thing as inherited perfection.

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ORPHANS' COURT SALE. In pursuance of an order issued out of the Orphans' Court of Centre County on the first day of December, A. D. 1913, the undersigned Administrators of Henry M. Krebs, late of Ferguson township, Centre County, Pa., deceased, will offer at public sale on...

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TERMS OF SALE: The purchaser to pay ten per cent of the purchase price in cash on day of sale which shall be considered and retained as stipulated earnest money upon failure of the purchaser to comply with the subsequent conditions hereafter mentioned, the balance of the purchase money to be paid upon confirmation of sale, whereupon deed shall be delivered therefor. Possession of the premises to be given the first of April, 1914.

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