unbiased mind and as profound as science of sciences.

Every one who is truly converted to christianity by the Gospel according to the will of God is renewed in the spirit of his mind and has received the spirit of adoption whereby he is enabled to call God his Father. He realizes that he is a branch of the true and living vine (Jesus Christ), and is enabled to give a reason for the hope that is within him. "If any man has not the spirit of Christ he is none of his." Any one who professes to be a Christian and denies that there is any spirituality in christianity, that the unconverted experiences no change of sentiment, no change of desire or of affection in being converted to christianity which is a change of heart, such a one has not been converted or else he has sinned against the light he had received.

We are ready to admit that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation. But without faith, repentence and obedience there is no promise.

We have no right to substitute any thing for that which has been established and confirmed by the word, for it is the sword of the spirit.

Those who put their trust in God and in his word and approach him with an humble contrite heart, soliciting aid to understand his will and word shall receive it.

Forbid that we should read the Bible through Campbell, Scott Wesley, Smith or any other man to make it mean just what they thought; but read it as the oracles of the living God.

It is obvious that whosoever believes, repents, reforms, and obeys from the heart is accepted.

We should grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth. We should walk in the light of the Gospel. "Awake thou that sleepest and Christ shall give you light."

In hope of the Gospel,

L. C. HILL.

"Love Your Enemies."

F. M. RAINS.

"Love your enemies, pray for them that persecute you; that you may be the sons of your Father who is in heaven." Search the law of Moses, the ethical teachings of the Greeks and Romans-but He alone said, Love your enemies that you may be the sons of God. The command was new and its object new. We should be as careful to understand the purpose of a divine

command as the command itself. The power of Jesus over men con-We are like our Father when we love those who persecute us-our enemies. It is an easy matter to them. They know that nothing love our brethren who love us, or to hold in high esteem those who lavish kindness upon us, but to love those who seek to do us injury, is a different thing and a more difficult thing. And just here is one test of our loyalty to Jesus. Are we equal to the trial?

In loving our enemies God is our example: "For he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth his rain on the just and on the unjust." David says, "I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree." Yes, though they are wicked enemies to God still he prospers them and loves them. And this is not unreasonable nor wrong. The race of man is the work of his own hand and he has amply provided for its temporal and spiritual

It is no more unreasonable that we should love our enemies than that God should love his, and prosper them in the good things of this life. To love your enemies requires a character of love which is possessed only by the children of God. We are not taught to love our enemies better than our friends, nor are we taught to love them as well. But we must seek to benefit both, and in this God is our example. "The heavens declare the glory of God" to the righteous and the unrighteous. The sun and the moon give their light to all men. The good and the evil, the thankful and the unthankful, enjoy alike the rain and the sunshine. The laughing brook, the smiling lake, and the thundering river, gladen the hearts of the good and the bad.

By loving our enemies we come into close fellowship and communion with Christ. They put the purple robe on him, placed a crown of thorns on his noble brow, spat on him, and mocked him; still he loved them, and died the just for the unjust. What a grand exemplification of the law he gave to his disciples did he manifest at the cross. To bear some cross or to take a walk in the garden of sorrow will elevate us to higher plains of spirituality. Try it, my brother, try it. The joy that will thrill your soul will more than repay you for the effort.

We should conquer evil with good, hatred with love and mercy. Jesus did, Paul did, and so can we. action good or ill.

sists in his unfeigned love for them. His love charms them and conquers can quench the flame of his great heart; that he loves to the end; and hence thousands of the best minds have unreservedly surrendered to him.

Our power for good is commensurate only with our love. Tell me a man's love for God and I will tell you of his love for his enemies and his power for good. The liberality of Jesus, the endurance of Paul, the blood of all saints unitize and harmonize in one word -love.

But the grandest manifestation of love, unselfishness, is seen in our love for our enemies; and of loving them is one proof that we are the children of God.

Leavenworth, Kan.

What does Jesus do for the believer? a thousand things that we can not mention in a brief paragraph, but one thing particularly that we would impress, he plants the love of God in the heart. It did not exist there as the ruling principle before; it is now the controlling sentiment of his life. The sinner felt his lack, he realized his need, he knew that something was wanted which he could not supply. Turning away from the old paths, with yearnings for a higher life and the dawnings of a new faith, he turns to the Saviour of sinners, and Jesus comes in and sups with him, implants love to God in the heart and makes him a new creature.-

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