

when speaking of the claims of others. We advise him to buy some of our books and post up. He ought to know that the fundamental point of our plea is for a union of all God's people from among the different denominations, or wherever found, on the Bible alone. If we believed, as the *Advocate* represents, that what is known as the "Christian Church," contains all the Lord's people, where would be the sense in our plea for Christian union? Does our brother see the point? If so, will he now make a correction? And again, sectarian like, he is continually prating about that "little body," etc., with which we are identified, perfectly ignorant of the fact that we number over six hundred thousand in the United States alone, to say nothing of the unnumbered thousands in almost every nation and island on the earth. We have enough brains on this coast to swallow Methodism, head and tail. We have no doubt but that Methodism suits our brother better than the doctrine of the apostles which we preach. There were people in the days of Christ who preferred the traditions of men to the doctrine He taught. Hence, they closed their eyes and stopped their ears, lest they should see, hear, understand and be converted. But the tradition of the fathers availed nothing, and all the isms of the day, notwithstanding their great pretensions to the conversion of the world, will sooner or later vanish before the truth as frost before the noonday sun, and the people will say, amen. This is our apology. Is it satisfactory?

PERSONAL MENTION.

We see that Bro. J. F. Taylor, of Mo., has been called by the Christian Woman's Board of Missions to do the work of an evangelist in Montana. He will make his headquarters at Helena.

Bro. W. K. Azbill is doing a good work in Jamaica. Some others have been called to his assistance of late, both for teaching and preaching.

Bro. J. B. Johnson has declined coming to Oregon. We had hoped to have him in our State for a time at least, but the brethren of California have found him work in that State and he thinks that climate better adapted to his constitutional ailments.

Bro. George Sharp, of Portland, paid us a pleasant call last week. He also attended our church service on Lord's day.

Bro. Bruce Wolverton dropped in on us Saturday, and remained for preaching on Lord's day. He regards the present outlook in Oregon favorable to a forward movement in the church work.

DOING HIS FATHER'S WILL.

On one occasion Jesus said to his disciples, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." This language he used in reply to their urgent request for him to eat. It shows that the life of the Savior was one consecrated to God, and that the object of all he said and did on this earth was to carry out the will of his Father. He was not caring so much for that meat which perished with the using, but he relied more on that spiritual meat which came down from heaven. As his life was devoted to the work of his Father, he required a spiritual meat to sustain him in his constant effort to establish his glorious cause among men. In this effort he has fully demonstrated to the world that Christianity is a work. There has never anything arisen in the history of the world that will compare with the work that the Savior did in revealing and doing his Father's will. In this work the Son of God stands out in bold contrast to all else. He showed by his life of devotion to his Father that the religion he came to establish was not a myth, but a reality, and that he was interested in the salvation of men. He was never idle. Even as a boy under the family protection, he assisted his parents in their daily manual labor for a support.

At the early age of twelve years, he was found in the temple hearing the doctors of the law and asking them questions; and when accosted by his own mother, he replied that he must be about his Father's business. He had a duty that he owed to his earthly parents, hence he was subject to them; but he owed a higher allegiance to his heavenly Father, and hence he must be about His business also. This work was made more apparent when he entered upon his public ministry. From the day that he was baptized of John in the Jordan his life was one of temptation, sacrifice, toil and anxiety in behalf of fallen

humanity. He labored, taught and preached by day, and often prayed by night in order that men might be saved. He has thus left the world a noble example of self-sacrifice and urges all Christians to copy it into their lives. There is no higher nor safer example in the universe, and hence the sayings and doings of Jesus stand preëminent in the world's history. They remain as a living monument of his labor, suffering, death, resurrection and glorification for the redemption of the world. Then as all Christians are to be like-minded, he who supposes he can do the will of God without devoting his life to the active service of the Master will be deceived sooner or later. He who not only labors, but labors to the end will gain the crown of life.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.

On last Monday evening in the college chapel, Monmouth, we had the pleasure of listening to a lecture from Mrs. Laughery of Yamhill county, on the subject of "Woman's Rights," as it is usually expressed. As this lady believes in placing woman on an equality with man in every respect, of course she will not object to being placed in man's stead by the press while dealing with the doctrine she advocates. Indeed, it would seem that this necessarily grows out of her position, since we fail to see how the sexes could be on an equality unless men are also granted the unlimited privilege of contending for "Man's Rights." This is our apology; and so we proceed.

Mrs. Laughery revealed to her hearers the astonishing fact that in the beginning God made woman to be a help meet for man, and then drew the still more astonishing conclusion that therefore He intended them to be on an equality! We were thinking all along how this could be, for from her remarks we very naturally arrived at the conclusion that woman was the *Meet* and man simply the *help* meet. We were aware that Paul says, "Adam was first formed, then Eve," and gives this as a reason for woman keeping *silence*; but we were led to think, that possibly, it had come to pass in these latter days that Eve was first created, then Adam. But then it seemed to us that to fix up the matter just as it should be in order to put them on an equality that both of them should have been created *at once*. And then it looked a little out of place

to make a woman who was intended to be equal with man in every respect, out of a mere *rib*; and then when we remember that this was a *man's* rib, the thing becomes intolerable! Now as to the mere right of a thing, we suppose a woman has a *right* to stand on her head if she chooses to do so, but we are inclined to think that most men would exceedingly doubt the wisdom and propriety of such a course! It was contended that man and woman should walk "side by side." We don't know that we have any special objection to their walking side by side, at least a reasonable distance, for we rather like the idea. But we think it but fair that when man gets tired of so walking to grant him the *right* to change his course a little, or if need be, to walk alone a short way. Neither do we understand just how making woman equal with man in a political sense would tend to elevate her sex, or improve society. Our candid opinion is, that the elevation would be the other way. We think the better way would be to bring man up to woman's high position in this respect. The idea of a woman's pleading to be elevated to the political position of man is ridiculous! The truth of the business is that the true woman in many respects is already elevated infinitely above man, and her plea to be placed on an equality with him is only calculated to poison the pure atmosphere of her moral and social circle and degrade her sex. It is because of the profound respect, and high standing in which woman is held by many men that we are led to speak our sentiments on this question. It is for *their* good we write, not for our own. Both men and women have far more rights now than they properly exercise, and the best thing for both is to make an effort to fill the different spheres, intellectually, morally and socially in which God has placed each. To interfere with these sacred relations is to undertake to change the order of nature. How any one who believes in the plain teachings of the Bible in reference to the relations of man and woman can believe that God ever intended them to be placed on an equality in *every sense*, if such a thing were possible, is another wonder of the world.

We have said this much in behalf of "Man's Rights," and we now turn over our hide for what it is worth to Mrs. Danniway, of the *New Northwest*.