

7-5-19 Holiness of Character Through Continual Communion with God

"We are nearing the judgment, and those who bear the message of warning to the world must have clean hands and pure hearts. They must have a living connection with God. The thoughts must be pure and holy, the soul untainted, the body, soul, and spirit be a pure, clean offering to God or He will not accept it." TM 426.

"The seal of the living God will be placed upon those only who bear a likeness to Christ in character." 7BC 970.

"The thoughts and feelings combined make up the moral character." 5T 310.

"Holiness is agreement with God." 5T 743.

"Sanctification means habitual communion with God." 7BC 908.

"The union with Christ must be maintained.... This is no casual touch, no on-and-off connection.... The life... received... can be preserved only by continual communication. Without [Jesus] you cannot overcome one sin or resist one temptation.... The channel of communication must be open continually between man and his God." DA 676.

"All of God's people should come nearer to Him and wash their robes of character in the blood of the Lamb." 3T 324.

"We cannot attain perfection of character if we do not hear the voice of God and obey His counsel." SD 90.

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"We cannot for one moment separate ourselves from Christ with safety." MYP 115.

"It was heart work with Christ. And if we consent, He will so identify Himself with our thoughts and aims, so blend our hearts and minds into conformity with His will, that when obeying Him, we shall be but carrying out our own impulses.... When we know God as it is our privilege to know Him, our life will be a life of continual obedience. Through an appreciation of the character of Christ, through communion with God, sin will become hateful to us." DA 668.

"Walking with Christ means to believe that, though unseen, Christ is walking with you." TD 225.

"By beholding we become changed, morally assimilated to the One who is perfect in character." 6BC 1098.

"Man may stand with the moral image of God in his character; for Jesus will give it to him. Unless the moral image of God is seen in man, he can never enter the city of God as a conqueror." 6BC 1078.

"There is not an impulse of our nature, not a faculty of the mind or an inclination of the heart, but needs to be, moment by moment, under the control of the Spirit of God." MYP 62.

"How few realize that Jesus, unseen, is walking by their side!... And how many hearts would burn with holy joy if they only knew that the Savior was by their side, that the holy atmosphere of His presence was surrounding them.... How pleased the Savior would be to hear His followers talking of His precious lessons of instruction, and to know that they had a relish for holy things!" TM 88.

"Through defects in character, Satan works to gain control of the whole mind and he knows that if these defects are cherished he will succeed." GC 489.

"All who enter into a covenant with Jesus Christ.... are cleansed by the regenerating power of the Word, and angels are commissioned to minister to them." 7BC 922.

"There is not an impulsive of our nature, not a faculty of the mind or an inclination of the heart, but needs to be, moment by moment, under the control of the Holy Spirit of God. There is not a blessing which God bestows upon man, nor a trial which He permits to befall him, but Satan both can and will seize upon it to tempt, to harass, and destroy the soul, if we give him the least advantage. Therefore, however great one spiritual life, however much he may enjoy the divine favor and blessing, he should ever walk humbly before the Lord, pleading in faith that God will direct every thought and control every impulse." MYP 62.

"When you decide that as Christians you are not required to restrain your thoughts and feelings, you are brought under the influence of evil angels and invite their presence and their control." 5T 310.

"Who can discern his errors? Forgive my hidden faults. Keep your servant also from willful sins.... Then I will be blameless." Ps. 19:12, 13.

"Christ's humanity was united with divinity, and in this strength He would bear all the temptations that Satan could bring against Him, and yet keep His soul untainted by sin. And this power to overcome He would give to every son and daughter of Adam who would accept by faith the righteous attributes of His character." 7BC 927.

"Beholding Christ means studying His life as given in His Word. We are to dig for truth as for hidden treasure. We are to fix our eyes upon Christ. When we take Him as our personal Savior, this gives us boldness to approach the throne of grace. By beholding we become changed, morally assimilated to the One who is perfect in character." 6BC 1098.

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