

SIMPLE BIBLE ESSAYS.

My purpose in writing this series of essays is to throw some feeble light on those sublime passages of Scripture I have chosen for a subject. In spite of the marvelous advance in human knowledge in recent years I still believe the Bible is the best guide we have for righteous living. Even in this day "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." The greatest problem that ever confronted man is how to live together in peace and happiness. Our marvelous advance in knowledge has not solved this problem. The world today is divided into the bitterest factions that ever separated man. Strife and hatred may yet defeat all the blessings that our increase in knowledge has promised us. If we can find in the Holy Scriptures a remedy for man's strife and division--and where else can we turn-- we will indeed be living in the golden age of human history. It is the supreme desire of my heart to find this remedy.

I have no pet creed to teach to men, no particular baptism or mode of worship to foster, no selfish ends to promote. It has been my one purpose in constructing these short tracts to make them helpfull to honest hearts of every faith and order. In seeking the noble and good life there many more things on which we agree than there are ~~that~~ divide us. I have tried to stick to those great principles on

which all honest hearts agree and avoid those lighter beliefs
that only stir up strife.

"And now may this little book a blessing be,
To all who love this little book and me;
And may its buyer never have cause to say,
His money is but lost or thrown away,----

John Bunyan's Apology.

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