

Women of the Bible

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The Seed

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A little seed lay on the ground
 And soon began to sprout.
 "Now which of all the flowers
 around,"
 It mused, "Shall I come out?
 The lily's face is fair and proud,
 But just a trifle cold;

The rose, I think, is rather loud,
 And then its fashion's old.
 The violet is all very well,
 But not a flower I'd choose;
 Nor yet the Canterbury bell —
 I never cared for blues."
 And so it criticized each flower,
 This supercilious seed,
 Until it woke one summer hour
 To find itself a weed!

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Trust

D. L. Moody

One night I was preaching, and happened to cast my eyes down during the sermon. There I saw two eyes just riveted upon me. Every word that fell from my lips, she just seemed to catch with her own lips, and I was very anxious to go down where she was. After the sermon, I went. I went to her pew and said, "My friend, are you a Christian?"

"Oh, no," said she, "I wish I was. I have been seeking Christ three years and I cannot find Him."

Said I, "Oh, there is a great mistake about that."

"Do you think I am not in earnest? Do you think, sir, I have not been seeking Christ?"

Said I, "I suppose you think you have, but Christ has been seeking you these twenty years, and it would not take an anxious sinner and an anxious Saviour three years to meet, and if you had been really seeking Him, you would have found Him long before this."

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Reconciliation

"Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:" Ephesians 4:26



Most relationships have times when someone is not happy with the other. Although it does happen from time to time, the rift should not continue. Someone has to go first, usually humbling themselves, and make the first step in righting a wrong. Usually the sooner reconciliation is done, the better.

Here are some quotes from Dr. Guy Goodell on reconciliation:

- ☺ "Reconciliation is a beautiful, Biblical doctrine."
- ☺ "You cannot force reconciliation."
- ☺ "Sin wins when we do not reconcile."
- ☺ "Repentance and confession destroy sin's power to ruin your life."

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“What do you mean then?”

“Do nothing, only believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.”

“Oh,” said she, “I have heard that till my head swims. Everybody says, ‘Believe! Believe! Believe, and I am none the wiser. I don’t know what you mean by it.’”

“Very well,” said I, “I will drop the word ‘believe’; but just trust the Lord Jesus Christ to save you from hell.”

“If I say I trust him, will He save me?”

“If you really trust Him, He will save you.”
“Well,” said she, “I trust Him, but I don’t feel any different.”

“Ah,” said I, “I have found your difficulty. You have been hunting for feeling all these three years. You have not been looking for Christ.”

Says she, “Christians tell how much joy they have gotten.”

“But,” said I, “You want Christian experience before you are one. Instead of trusting God, you are looking for Christian experience. Right here in this pew, just commit yourself to the Lord Jesus Christ, and trust Him, and you will be saved,” and I held her right to that word “trust,” which is the same as the word “believe” in the Old Testament. “You know what

it is to trust a friend. Cannot you trust God as a friend?”

She looked at me for five minutes, it seemed, and then said slowly, “Mr. Moody, I trust the Lord Jesus Christ this night to save my soul.” Turning to the pastor of the church, she took him by the hand and repeated the declaration. Turning to an elder in the church, she said again the solemn words, and near the door, meeting another officer of the church, she repeated for the fourth time, “I am trusting Jesus,” and then she went home.

“Don’t try to hold God’s hand; let Him hold yours. Let Him do the holding, and you the trusting.”

— Webb-Peplow

The next night when I was preaching I saw her right in front of me, “Eternity” was written in her eyes, her face lighted up, and

when I asked for helpers to go and tell others how to be saved, she was the first to go in. I wondered at it, for I could see by her face that she had the joy of the Lord. When I got in I found her with her arms around a young woman’s neck, and I heard her say, “It is only just trusting. I stumbled over it three years and found it all in trusting.” For the three weeks I was there, she led more souls to Christ than anybody else. If I got a difficult case, I would send them to her. Oh my friends, won’t you trust Him today? Let us put our trust in Him.

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- ⊗ “You’re not profitable unless you’re reconciled.”
- ⊗ “The principle of ‘waiting out the offense’ never solves anything.”
- ⊗ “Nowhere in Scripture does God advocate smoothing something over.”
- ⊗ “Children are better at forgiving than adults are.”
- ⊗ “You can’t help hurting hearts by circumnavigating the reconciliation process.”
- ⊗ “A truly spiritual person will willingly become involved in the reconciliation process.”
- ⊗ “There can be no reconciliation as long as either party fights for who is right.”
- ⊗ “Whenever you ‘pass over’ an offense, you don’t bring it up again.”

It is A Gift

Bill Brinkworth

No matter where people are from, any culture, or any social ranking, most of them naturally believe they can please God and go to heaven by doing good deeds. They figure that if they do more good than bad, they will earn their way to heaven.

Nowhere in the Bible is going to heaven by good works taught. We cannot pay for our sins by good deeds. However, a price has been paid for our sins. Jesus’ death on the cross is the only payment God will accept for our sins. Salvation is a free gift offered to those that will accept Christ’s

“Every person should have a special cemetery lot in which to bury the faults of friends and loved ones.”

work as payment for all their sins. Here are some verses showing that salvation’s price has already been paid, and that it is a free gift to us:

✠ “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

✠ “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Romans 6:23

✠ “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.” Ephesians 2:8

✠ “And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.” 1 John 5:11

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“Human nature’s way of salvation is, ‘Do, do, do.’ But God’s way of salvation is, ‘Done, done, it is all done.’ You have but to rely by faith on the atonement that Christ accomplished on the cross.”



— Spurgeon