

being fully he has failed me. But when I ~~have~~ ^{have} stepped out on the promises of God they have never failed me. I can just imagine that great big man stepping out on what ~~looks~~ looks like the little etherial promise and it holds him. But you cannot fully trust any human being because we are all fallible and we are all sinful. There are matters that are not absolute and we have to consider relatively what we must do about them. And I believe this is very important for our understanding of life. Far better to have -- to make everything absolute than to make everything relative. But for a true understanding of life we must recognize that they both exist.

Heat and cold is certainly a relative matter. If it is too hot we are all sweating, we're miserable, we're uncomfortable. We say Oh for the winter. And then we get the cold weather, and we say, O we wish that it was summer again. We wish that it was warm. If it gets hot above a certain level we get miserable, if it gets cold below a certain level we are miserable. It is one of the many things that are relative in life.

b. In matters that are not absolute it is vital to seek proper balance. Even in this matter of ~~seeking/lo~~ recognizing that some things are absolute and some matters are relative. I think it is vital that we recognize that both are true ~~and/both~~ and learn to place matters in their proper point. God's great ~~qualities~~ qualities. The great ethical principles are absolute, but there is no mere human action, or no mere thing that is in itself good or evil. It depends in every case upon its relationship and its purpose. We have to ^{seek} see the proper balance. We find people in study who are interested in facts. There was a man in Oxford who knew more about the number of bales of clothing that were exported from England -- bales of ~~wool~~ wool from the sheep that were exported between the years 1315 and 1379 than any other man in the world. And he could tell you about any year or about any month ~~perhaps~~ perhaps just how much was exported. He had a marvelous knowledge of these facts but most of us aren't particularly interested in it. On the other hand we find people who think facts don't matter. They build great beautiful theories, and they seem to be more helpful in our lives. But you've got to test your theory by facts. You've got to get your facts accurate, but your facts are for a purpose of getting their meaning. And so you have to seek a proper balance between the amount