

## The Unity of Man

I have often heard it said that man is one ~~an~~ indivisible unit and that we are not interested in saving souls but in saving the whole man. It is my present conclusion that this is complete nonsense. Let me explain the reason.

Many a person who has lost an arm or a leg has been saved. The arm or leg ~~was~~ was not saved. Occasionally someone like the dying thief has been saved at the very end of life. The body disintegrated into dust. The spirit continued. ~~I am more and more~~

I can exist with out my arm, without my leg, even without my whole body. The body is a very wonderful instrument that God has lent me. It is my means ~~for~~ of communication with this present world. It has tremendous influence on my life, just as the auto that I drive or the clothes that I wear have. It is, however, something temporary. <sup>of</sup> This earthly house is dissolved we have a house in the heavens, not made with hands. ~~The~~ God The fact that the spirit is brought into proper relationship with God may naturally result in great improvement in the condition of the body, but the body is not saved, it is made of dust. Dust it is, and to dust it shall return. The spirit is God's creation and will continue forever.

We are all too ~~much~~ conscious of the body. We seek to gratify the desires of the body. Craving for food or drink may become so great that we forget everything else. Yet we should not do so. It is not God's will that we should try to injure the body. Paul tells us to mortify the deeds of the flesh. We should put the ~~body~~ body in a secondary place. We should take care of it in order that it might accomplish its purpose for God, but we should remember that ~~it~~ it is only a temporary help to us.

What is the difference between a dog and a man? A dog can learn to know its master. It can show love to him. There is a beautiful story in Scotland of a dog that stood guard at its master's grave until it finally sickened away and died. God has placed u s here in a body exist apart from the body God