

The backslider in heart will be filled with his own hostilities. He lays up grievances, and he is ruffled with almost every personal relationship in life. He allows his temper to flare; he holds his grudges. The common courtesies are neglected; they are not performed with meaning. There are inner hostilities that betray him. He makes rude demands upon other people. A low plane of Christian consecration is always manifested in a low plane of Christian ethical relations

The backslider in heart will be filled with his own temptations and trials. Instead of keeping out of temptations, he runs right into them. He brings upon himself multiplying trials that he never would have were he in fellowship with God. He complains of his trials, yet, constantly multiplies them. God is against him and he is against himself.

Charles Finney says, "He is not walking with, but contrary to God. Hence, the providence of God will constantly cross his path and baffle his schemes, and God will send darkness upon his path."

The backslider in heart will be filled with his own cares and worries. Having turned from consecration and devotion to God back to selfishness, he counts himself and

his possessions as his own.

Finally, the backslider in heart shall be filled with his own bondage and self condemnation. If he reads his Bible, it condemns him; if he does not read it, he feels condemned for the omission. If he goes to church, the services condemn him; if he doesn't go he is condemned by his omission. There is no pleasure in life at all. Yet, there is no pleasure in sinning. So he is a double loser.

Is the cause of your defeat some broken vow, some compromised privilege, some inner letdown in relation to God? Perhaps Samson's story will bless you.

Be Mason! Mason got back out on his - to find that!

forget, left on his - not Am - soon -
we sleep in soft - not Am - soon -
Born central - education blending over -
cons and central - what - what happened?
what - perfect

Put your lip up beside Christ
and you will see the difference -
what - perfect

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