

above all that is a result of what has happened to us. It is most amazing sometimes, talking to a man of the world about some situation in which you personally have been wronged or injured or perhaps have not been getting your full due. And just talking to him as an interested bystander, to see how he will go out of his way to help you and make suggestions and be very kind and helpful, and you get the impression, what a wonderful chap this is. How friendly and helpful he is to me.

Then you get into that mood and you say, Here ~~now~~ now just think here's this little thing that would be so helpful to me. Here's this little thing he's doing that's injuring me and he probably doesn't realize it, let's mention it to him. When you do you see the change in the man. He becomes hard and inflexible and he'll tell you can get all this in relation to him. The old spirit of evil comes out. You did not dream it was there before at all.

Personal hatred we must watch against. We must pray the Lord to deliver us from it, but we must recognize that evil is real. God is not the author of evil, but God has created a world in which good is impossible without the possibility of its opposite. Satan chose the opposite, and man chose the opposite. The evil that comes as a result of it is real, and is something we should meet and something which God desires us to hate with a perfect hatred as we count it as his enemies.

When I was in college I had occasion of observing two or three cases where a church was without a minister and where they needed a new minister and they heard different people speak. Most of the congregation were influenced by whether or not the man had a good voice or whether his wife had a pleasant manner. All little trivial things. That was what decided the people. What decided them as to who they wanted for a minister and who they did not was all these little trivial things. The big question was will this man stand for the Word of God? Or will this man lead you away from God. Very few seemed to realize this. And I made a resolution: If a man is truly standing for the Word of God and there are little things about him that I don't like, little things he does and I think are the wrong way of going at things; if I have the chance to talk with him to where I think he might be interested in my opinion, I'm going