

## Two Contrasting Spheres

Is this delineation of self true or untrue? As we look within our own lives is there one of us who would not have to confess to every one of these hateful manifestations of self at some time in a greater or less degree? We each of us know what a hydra-headed monster that old "I" is. Luther knew it and said, "I am more afraid of my own heart than of the Pope and all his cardinals. I have within me that great Pope Self."

What, then, shall be done with this bold usurper of God's place? God has declared very plainly what He has already done with him. He has but one place for "the old man," and that is the Cross, and but one plan for the termination of his despotic rule, and that is by his crucifixion with Christ.

"Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with him (Christ), that the body of sin might be done away, that so we should no longer be in bondage to sin" (Rom. 6:6, R.V.).

"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20, R.V.).

Two facts are clearly stated here; first that the crucifixion of "the old man" is an already