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THE CHRISTIAN'S CHOICE — SELF OR CHRIST

There are two kinds of Christians, easily identified and clearly distinguished from each other. The question may be asked, "How can there be two streams from one fountain-head which flow so widely apart?" We must get an answer to this question if we are to choose to be spiritual Christians and live consistently as such.

The Co-Existence of two Natures in every Believer

Every Christian is conscious of a duality within himself. Part of him wants to please Christ, part of him wants to satisfy every demand of self. Part of him longs for the rest of the promised land, another part lusts for the onions, leeks and garlic of Egypt. Part of him grasps Christ, part of him grips the world. There is a law of gravitation which pulls him sinward while at the same time a law of counteraction pulls him Christward.

The Scriptural explanation of this duality is that every believer has within him two natures: