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FLESH, SPIRIT AND SOUL

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flesh. ~~Human~~ Human flesh is very wonderful. God has given us tremendous bodies, but there are many ways in which they are similar to animals. We are similar to animals in physical features. Many animals have eyes, mouths. They breathe in oxygen. They breathe out ~~the~~ carbon dioxide. Our flesh has much similarity to the flesh of animals. We are merely similar to them in physical ways. We have mental and emotional relationships with animals. The ants have methods of communicating where they find food. Birds often fly in groups and would seem to have a leader. Various types of animals put out sentries. A mother bear will fight for her offspring. A dog may risk his life to save the children that it loves. There are mental and emotional similarities between animals and man. Are not these also part of flesh? That which is similar to the animals?

You will find that scientists today will show how much of our characteristics are inherited. How it is carried in the genes. I talked to a man the other day who had been converted to Christ when a young man. He felt that his life had been greatly changed and some years later he said to me, "You know I find the same qualities that I used to dislike so in my father, cropping out in myself." We inherit all sorts of qualities from our parents or from our grand parents. There is certainly an element here that ~~it~~ can come under the category of flesh.

Human beings differ greatly from each other. A woman said to me once, Which is better to have lots of brains and no will power, or ~~lots~~ lots of will power and no brains.? I said, How do you come to ask me such a question? She said, I have two daughters. One of them works hard. She is very industrious. She studies late into the night trying to get her lessons, but she never can get much over a passing grade. Her sister, she said, never seems to bother to study. She spends her time in frivolity. She wastes a great part of her time, but she picks up a book and glances over it and goes in and gets a high grade. The one has lots of brains but does not seem to have much will power. The other has plenty of will power but doesn't have much ~~but~~ brains." They were born with different potentialities. Surely this is the difference of the flesh. The divide between spirit and flesh is very hard to ~~to~~ draw. Each affects the other greatly. Yet I think there is a very definite difference between them. The flesh