

bringing up his children. We can trust him in a way we can't trust any earthly father because every earthly father gives to his children an inheritance which is weak in some way or another. All of us have our physical weaknesses. We have our mental weaknesses, which we have inherited. We can tremendously improve in any particular line. But one of us has far greater ability in this line; another has far greater ability in that line.

But when we think of ourselves as in the family of our heavenly Father, we can realize that whatever qualities we have we have because God willed that we should have them. So/this line of hundreds of thousands of people from whom we are descended God chose that there should descend to each of us exactly the qualities He desired that one to have in order that one should live the kind of life that He wants that one to live! So whatever we inherit of ability, God wants us to use in order to advance God's work and accomplish His purposes. Whatever we have of inability or disability God wants us to endeavor to strengthen, but he wants us to realize it is just what God planned to give us and it has an important part in building us up into the type of person that God wants to have live with Him thru all eternity. That's true of our characteristics that we derive, that God caused that thru the long line of descendants exactly this should come to us. It is also true of the circumstances thru which we pass.

God puts some/us in exalted positions and some of us in lower positions. God gives some of us wonderful health. I marvel at the health that God gave me. I don't understand why he should have blessed me in this regard way beyond most people that I know. I have rarely had any kind of illness. But I was talking with Francis Schaeffer ~~last~~ night after he spoke at our commencement