Lines & Lessons (1)

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> Daniel's friends stopped when they were told to bow down before the idols. Daniel knelt when they were told not to bow down before the true God.
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> What is the purpose of illness? Martin Luther, a German Reformer, asserted that one purpose of illness is to foster gratitude among healthy individuals for their well-being.
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> A man in the Middle Ages, fearing being burned at the stake, denied Christ. He exclaimed, „I cannot burn!“ Tragically, the next night, his house caught fire, and he perished in the flames. (Told by Spurgeon)
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> John Bunyan is completely wrong here (in the armor of God in Ephesians 6) because he does not see salvation clearly; he passes on experiences without starting with “being in Christ.” In his book *The Pilgrim's Progress*, you will not find anyone who

> calmly and peacefully says, “If God is for us, who can be against us?” We have to go through the world, but we are “in Christ”—a new position we have come into; you never find that in Bunyan. I find the pence in him, but not the pounds in the account. (JND)

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