



Good
Enough
is Perfect

THE LURE OF GOOD ENOUGH

Someone has written, "There is no more insidious danger than the lure of the good enough." This is particularly true in the realm of the spiritual. Self-satisfaction is the mother of complacency. Complacency is the mother of sloth. And sloth brings condemnation. Well did Paul warn Christians, *"For if anyone thinks himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceives himself"* (Galatians 6:3). One who thinks he knows enough will cease to study. One who thinks he gives enough will not increase his giving. One who thinks he does enough will cease from doing. The feeling that we are "good enough" is the grave of growth. Growth is the law of life. Like Paul of old, we should rather say, *"I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus"* (Philippians 3:13-14).

Like an old Scots preacher, we should pray:
“Lord, keep me alive as long as I live.” Let us not
be seduced by “the lure of the good enough.”