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TF we are really Christian it must surely follow that we look at life to some degree as Jesus Christ looked at it. We may not be able to measure up to the ideal as He did, but there must be within us the same stirrings after it that And He had a constant habit of looking on human life from the standpoint of its need. You remember that it is told of Him that when He looked upon the multitude He saw them as sheep without a shepherd, not as sheep that might be fleeced, or that might serve His purpose in some way, but as those whom He might serve. We are positively Christian only in so far as we follow Him in this. The vital instinct of the Christian religion is the instinct of helpfulness. That religion is of necessity missionary in its character, not because we who possess it wish to bring our convictions and beliefs home to other people, but because we cannot rest satisfied until they are cherishing the ideals and rejoicing in the hopes and aspirations that have been given to us.—The Christian Guardian.