

"A Ease in Zion"

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Sub:- A brief statement of Call of Amos & his home, Tekoa. His message for his times. He saw the corruption of Israel, the wickedness of its people and its vain trust in ritual. She had not always been so. She had once been afire with the zeal of making Jehovah known to the world. But now, an ease in Zion.

There are many such in the church today. An ease in Zion. They have taken refuge. They are not effective for God. They exert no helpful influence upon the world, but are influenced by it. <sup>There is a time when church needs to be militant, it is now.</sup>

Characteristics of those an ease in Zion.

1. Often-times orthodox - Dead orthodoxy. mere passive belief. Conformity to ceremonies.
2. Lack of definite Christian Convictions.
  1. As to sin
  2. Salvation
  3. Church
  4. Individual Responsibility.
3. Easily beguiled into sin.
4. A condition as dangerous as

Lacksliding.

## II. Zion<sup>is</sup> what we are.

- no sense of His presence
1. Relish for Bible
  2. no love for prayer
  3. no sense of joy in service of God.
  4. no desire for fellowship with God's people
  5. no passion for souls

Concl: There is but one fate for Zion when her people have become ease loving, that is to be overcome of evil, and to be destroyed.

There is but one end for the individual an ease in Zion and that is to be found some day, of death, or of the returning Son of God, unprepared.

My friend, what is the status of your soul today? You profess to be a Christian, but are you an alk, aggressive, praying, warm hearted, soul loving, Christian that finds joy in the service of his Lord, or

are you a cold, unconcerned,  
dead sort of a Christian, who has  
simply made the Church a  
refuge, a place of ease. My  
Christian friends, perishing souls  
are all about us, many are in  
the gall of bitterness and the bond  
of iniquity, they need Jesus. But  
before you can take Christ to them  
or bring them to Christ, you must  
have the living Christ in your  
soul. Do you have him? If not  
you can tonight, you must come  
to God, through repentance for  
your slothfulness, and