

# Two Messages From Charles Finney And Charles Spurgeon For Today

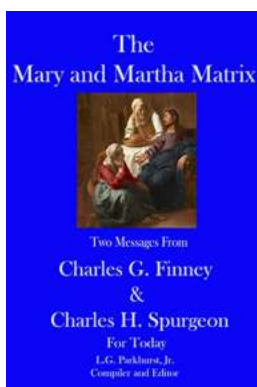
Charles Finney and Charles Spurgeon were two influential preachers who lived during the 19th century. Despite being separated by an ocean, these men shared a common passion for proclaiming the Gospel and their messages continue to hold relevance in our modern age. Both Finney and Spurgeon preached with conviction, seeking to bring people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Let's explore two key messages from these great men and how they can still impact our lives today.

## 1. Charles Finney: The Urgency of Repentance

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Charles Finney was a prominent figure in the Second Great Awakening, a revival movement that swept through the United States during the early 19th century. Finney emphasized the need for personal repentance and the importance of a sincere conversion experience. His message centered around the idea that salvation is not merely an intellectual belief, but a transformation of the heart and life.

Finney saw the urgency of repentance as he witnessed the moral decay and spiritual apathy of his time. He fervently called people to turn away from their sins and surrender their lives to Christ. His preaching was characterized by a deep sense of conviction and a desire to see lives changed through the power of the Holy Spirit.

In today's world, the message of repentance is just as relevant. Our society may have different challenges, but the need for personal transformation remains constant. Finney's call to turn away from sin and embrace Christ's redemptive work on the cross resonates with individuals seeking purpose and restoration in their lives. His emphasis on the Holy Spirit's power reminds us that true change comes from God alone.

## **2. Charles Spurgeon: The Sufficiency of God's Grace**

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Charles Spurgeon, known as the "Prince of Preachers," was an English Baptist preacher who ministered in London during the same period as Finney.

Spurgeon's message revolved around the sufficiency of God's grace in every aspect of a believer's life. He emphasized the unmerited favor of God and the unwavering love He has for His people.

Spurgeon's sermons were characterized by his eloquence and ability to communicate deep theological truths in a simple language that resonated with the masses. He believed that God's grace was powerful enough to save anyone, regardless of their past or current circumstances. Spurgeon passionately preached about the boundless love and unfathomable depths of God's mercy.

Today, we often find ourselves striving for perfection and validation through our own efforts. Spurgeon's message reminds us that God's grace is sufficient for our salvation and sanctification. We can find rest in knowing that we don't have to earn God's love, but rather receive it freely through Christ. His message challenges us to rely on God's grace rather than our own strength.

## In

Charles Finney and Charles Spurgeon may have lived in a different era, but their messages continue to resonate with believers today. Finney's call to repentance and Spurgeon's emphasis on God's grace provide timeless wisdom for our spiritual journeys. Let us heed their words and seek personal transformation through repentance and reliance on God's grace. As we embrace these messages, we can experience the power of the Gospel working in our lives and impact the world around us.



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The sixth book in the "Finney and Spurgeon Face to Face" series is "The Mary and Martha Matrix," where the messages of Charles G. Finney and Charles H. Spurgeon come face to face. In "The Mary and Martha Matrix," Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to Him teach and then Martha came and asked Jesus to tell her sister to help her prepare the meal for their guests, which led to Jesus teaching both of them what was really important. In "The Mary and Martha Matrix," Finney and Spurgeon agree on the importance of listening to Jesus' words. From them, you will learn why it was important to Jesus for both Mary and Martha to listen to Him teach, and why it was especially important to Mary at that time in her life and also important for Martha to listen to Him. Jesus often healed and taught people without stopping for a meal, and He could easily feed more than 5,000 people using a little boy's lunch. He was more concerned about feeding people spiritually than everyone eating physically, and if everyone listened to Him spiritually, He could easily feed everyone physically when the time arrived. Martha did not need to give up the good part of the day with Jesus teaching in her home to prepare meals for His eager listeners. In "The Mary and Martha Matrix," you will learn especially from Spurgeon what must be an integral part of listening to Jesus for your listening to be effective. Each preacher offers insights that the other does not teach, and each of their messages offers food for thought and truths that can be taught to others. In another sense, Spurgeon seems to expand on the truths that Finney taught, while adding many of his own Spirit-inspired thoughts and applications. The sermon by Finney should be read first, as presented in "The Mary and Martha Matrix." Spurgeon will teach you much more about Martha than Finney taught, and he will also help you with the situation's application for today.

The seventh book in the series is "How All Things Work," based on Romans 8:28.

Without question among Nineteenth Century preachers and revivalists, Finney was America's greatest revivalist and Spurgeon was England's greatest preacher. Finney was trained to be a lawyer, and he served as a professor of theology and wrote a systematic theology; this background came through in his preaching. In his sermons, Spurgeon had the ability to draw graphic word pictures in a time before television and movies, and that God-given gift made him especially effective in leading people to trust in Christ alone and in meeting their spiritual needs from the Bible. Both men led thousands to faith in Jesus Christ during their lifetimes, and both men influence students of the Bible, and Christian preachers, revivalists, and theologians today. These two great Bible expositors can be studied together by reading their sermons on the same Biblical themes. Often contrasted in secondary sources, with the books in the "Finney and Spurgeon Face to Face" series readers can compare as well as contrast these men by reading what they actually taught.

Charles Grandison Finney [1792-1875] has been considered America's Greatest Revivalist. He also served as theological professor and president of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, which he helped found in 1833. In 1980, L.G. Parkhurst began publishing the works of Charles Finney, beginning with "Principles of Prayer," through Bethany House Publishers. More recently he has published Finney's works through Agion Press, beginning with all of his sermons on Paul's Letter to the Romans in three volumes, "Principles of Righteousness," "Principles of Peace," and "Principles of Joy in the Holy Spirit."

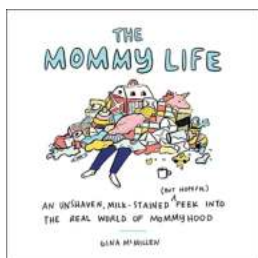
Charles Haddon Spurgeon [1834-1892] has been considered the Prince of Preachers. He founded Spurgeon's College in 1856 in London, England, which was named after him following his death. In 1988, L.G. Parkhurst published "The

Believer's Secret on Intercession," a devotional from the writings of Andrew Murray and C.H. Spurgeon.



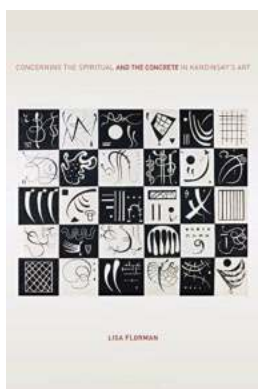
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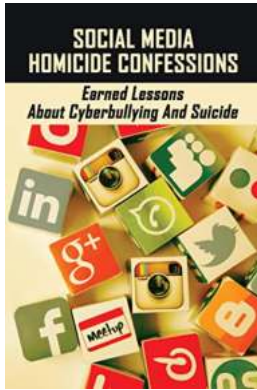
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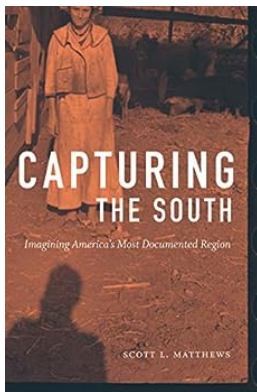
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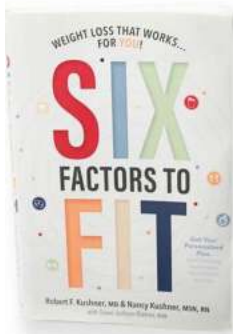
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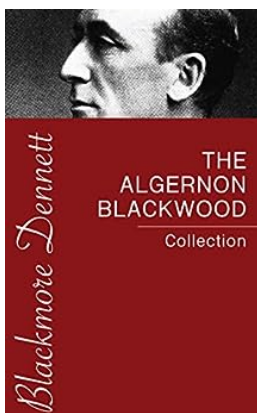
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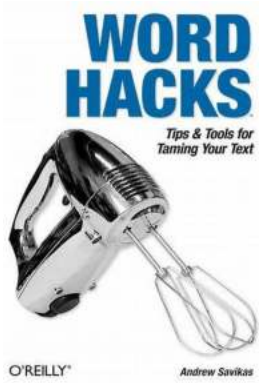
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