

STUDIES FROM THE DESIRE OF AGES

Chapter 28

- A. Why did Jesus eat with publicans even though this was socially unacceptable? What implications does this have for our social interactions with people outside the church?
- B. How did Jesus explain to John's disciples the differences between His teachings and those of the Pharisees on the topic of fasting? How can fasting become an abomination to Christ?
- C. Read [Revelation 3:17, 18](#). To what degree have you personally experienced the Laodicean condition? How has God restored you to relationship with Him?

Additional Thoughts

- 1. Why were the tax collectors so repulsive to the Jew?
- 2. How was the call of Levi Matthew similar to the call of the other disciples?
- 3. How did the Pharisees treat this "call?"
- 4. How did Jesus treat the invitation to attend a feast at a publican's request?
- 5. How did the rabbis try to disrupt the work of Christ?
- 6. Why did the disciples of John and the pharisees fast?
- 7. Why did the religious leaders not want the "NEW" wine?
- 8. What is a "legal Religion?"
- 9. Personal views: List a favorite section from the reading or some new thought from this reading