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Jer.8, 4: *“When men fall, do they not rise again? If one turns away, does he not return?”*

Jn.6, 37: Jesus says: *“Whoever comes to me I will never cast out.”*

What would you say if you saw someone stumble and fall to the ground, yet take no measure to get back on his feet, continuing instead to crawl on all four as if that were the norm? You would think that something is seriously wrong.

Actually, we can't imagine that any person of sane mind would behave in such a way. Quite! Yet that is what God sees as He looks on His crowning creation – mankind. It presents to Him this very thing.

And we can see it too when we consider the humanity of Jesus Christ – the person and his words and his works: utterly glorious, upright, good and true, unaffected and genuine, and when we consider not only how far short we fall of this humanity but that we reject it for the sake of what we regard and want to be the norm. Is he not what man should be, could be, once was but now, due to sin, does not want to be?

When we come to Jesus Christ it is not just to learn what we should be and aren't, still less to decide to improve on ourselves, but to be redeemed – helped up to walk, see and speak as one does how is upright.