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Ps.86,11: *“Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.”*

Hebr.13,9: *“Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings.”*

‘I am in trouble and perplexity. Be pleased to show me the way which your wisdom and mercy have prepared for my escape; behold I lay aside all wilfulness, and only desire to be informed as to your holy and gracious mind. Not my way give me, but your way teach me, I would follow you and not be wilful. I will walk in your truth.

‘... Unite my heart to fear your name. Having taught me one way, give me one heart to walk therein, for too often I feel a heart and a heart, two natures contending, two principles struggling for sovereignty.

‘Our minds are apt to be divided between a variety of objects..; our great desire should be to have all our life floods poured into one channel and to have that channel directed towards the Lord alone. A man of divided heart is weak, the man of one object is the man. God who created the bands of our nature can draw them together, tighten, strengthen, and fasten them, and so braced and inwardly knit by his uniting grace, we shall be powerful for good, but not otherwise. To fear God is both the beginning, the growth, and the maturity of wisdom, therefore should we be un-dividedly given up to it, heart, and soul.’

(Ch Spurgeon, Treasury of David, Ps.86,11)