

## Words that inspire Christians to work for social change

The words in ordinary type are from the King James Bible (1611), which was the Bible most Victorians used. The words in *italics* put the verse in modern English, where needed.

### Genesis 1:27

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

*God created people in his own 'image'.*

### Deuteronomy 16:20

That which is altogether just shalt thou follow.

*Follow justice and only justice.*

### Amos 5:24

But let judgment (*justice*) run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

### James 1:27

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction.

*True religion, acceptable to God, is to visit orphans and widows - those with none to care for them.*

## James 2:16-17

If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled;

notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead.

*What good is it wishing someone well but not doing anything about their hunger or lack of clothes. Faith in God without putting it into practice is useless - dead.*

## Genesis 4:9

And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?

*'Is it my responsibility to look after my 'brother'? (Yes)*

## Matthew 25:45

Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it (*acted in love*) unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

*'Every time you help another person, no matter how seemingly unimportant, you help me.'* (words spoken by Jesus)