Blessed are the Undefiled

Psalm 119:1

Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.

The word blessed can be translated, how happy! Hence, how happy are they who are not tainted while walking in this blessed way. Let us first be thankful that we have been called out of darkness and that now our path *shineth as light more and more unto the perfect day*. Do you remember that glorious day? What joy, what purity, what fervor. Is it still so in your heart? If you have lost that joy and fervor, what has hindered you?

How numerous are the wounded among us and countless are the casualties that testify of past offenses. Can we enumerate the stumbling blocks, the disappointments that come to us in the way? In time, all will taste the bitterness of offense upon our palate. What then and how do we respond?

What we do know, is blessed are the undefiled in the way. There be many arrows from the enemies bow that are shot at our faith. Arrows of offense, darts of temptation, spears of doubt—they are sure to come at us. All these affronts are aimed to defile us but blessed are the undefiled in the way!

Has someone spoken evil of you? Let it not steal your fervor and you shall be undefiled and blessed in the way! Has a leader let you down? Get not bitter but be better and remain undefiled in the way! Turn not to the left or to the right but march on to victory! Refuse my dear brother to be defiled.

There be too many who are defiled by offenses and disappointments but be not numbered among them, refuse to be tainted and be thou blessed in this glorious way!