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Malachi #4

The Kindness of God's Scalpel

Malachi 3:1-12
(Pew Bible p. 952)

Sometimes the only treatment for spiritual lethargy
is the divine scalpel towards sin.

Do not forget the culture of the inner man — I mean of the heart. How diligently the cavalry officer keeps his saber clean and sharp; every stain he rubs off with the greatest care. Remember you are God's sword, his instrument — I trust a chosen vessel unto him to bear his name. In great measure, according to the purity and perfection of the instrument, will be the success. It is not great talents God blesses so much as likeness to Jesus. A holy person is an awe-filled weapon in the hand of God.

adapted, Robert Murray Mc'Cheyne, 1840

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