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## DO – DON'T – HAS DONE

The young but accomplished organist of a large church had been raised in a Christian family. Because of his early training he read the Bible with some frequency. But the reading gave him no pleasure; in fact it was a source of irritation, for the Bible told him not to do what he wanted to do and told him to do things he did not want to do. He thought that perhaps he would stop reading the Bible and so avoid the irritation of its do's and don't's.

But a very wise Christian friend to whom he had a little shamefacedly confessed his state of mind advised him to read the Bible from another point of view: instead of paying much attention, as he had done in the past, to what he had to do for God, he should now note particularly what God had done for him.

Ordinarily a little story should be told to its finish; but in this case the writer is going to stop in the middle. If the reader wishes to know how the story ends, he should follow the advice and read in the Bible what God has done. Begin with this passage: *"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him 'should not perish, but have everlasting life'"* (John 3:16).