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**CLIPPED WINGS**

The penguin on floes of ice,  
The ostrich on dunes of sand,  
The peacock on lawns at Nice,  
The kiwi on plains in New Zealand—  
All sigh to go awinging, winging,  
All sigh to go awinging,  
All sigh to go —  
The spirit is willing.

Between the precept and practice  
Falls the dark shadow;  
Between the resolve and the action  
Rises the Eden-woe.  
They cannot go awinging, winging,  
They cannot go awinging,  
They cannot go —  
The flesh is weak.

—G. K. '51

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**SANCTITY THROUGH THE HOME**

In everyday speech, we usually restrict the term "saint" to those persons whom the Church officially declares to have reached Paradise. We do not always realize that all who attain Heaven, whether canonized or not, are Saints. It is also usually understood by Catholics that Heaven is the supernatural end of our life on earth. We rarely connect these ideas.

If we combine these ideas, we come to the realization that we are called upon to be saints. Whatever be our state in life, be it priest or parent, student or surgeon, that vocation is our vehicle, our means, to sanctity. This much is usually admitted for those espousing the religious life. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said of our usual thoughts on the family. But nevertheless, it is true; sanctity not only can be achieved through family life; it is the only course open to the majority of people.

Most adults marry. The truth of this statement is so obvious that we are very likely to miss its meaning. If the family is the state in life of the majority of the people, then the family must be a way of sanctification. Founding