The Living Dead.

What shall we do with our dead?
The dead who have not died—
Who meet us still in the very paths
Where they once walked by our side.
Not those that we love and mourn,
At rest on a distant shore.
But the lost yet living women and men
Whom we loved—and love no more.
There are shroud and flower and stone
To hide the dead from our sight,
But these are ghosts that will not be laid—
They come 'twixt us and the light;
And the Heaven loses its blue,
And the rose has worms at the core,
Because of the living women and men
Whom we loved—and love no more.

Edith Bigelow in "The Critic."

"BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT."

BY THE REV. G. A. DOWNEY.

No man can sit down to the study of the Bible and other literature on the subject of being filled with the Spirit, without realizing a great lack, and at the same time a great longing to be thus filled. Even though it be a "Spirit-filled" man who sits down, he will recognize infinite possibilities still ahead of him. If the path of the just really be "as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day," there are untold victories, attainments, and delights yet to be gained by every man. No man or woman knows so much of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit that he or she cannot learn infinitely more.

"Be filled with the Spirit" was originally written by Paul to the church at Ephesus, or rather to the Christian congregation there. As the Bible is a book for all men, in all ages of the world, this may be said to be addressed to all men. What does it mean? Doubtless Paul has in mind the scenes on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit-filled disciples were accused of being drunken. Wine-drinking was a custom of the day. Excesses were common, as they are sure to be wherever wine is used as a beverage. In the case before us, there is no danger of excess. One cannot have too much of the Holy Spirit. As the spirit of wine may fill and control the entire man, so may the Holy Spirit. Paul's exhortation, which is really a command, is to allow the Holy Spirit to take control. Do not quench or even grieve him, he would say. Let him have free course in your life.

The early Christians, who were chiefly used in the advancement of the Kingdom, were Spirit-filled. Jesus himself returned to Galilee "in the power of the Spirit." Stephen was a man "full of faith and the Holy Spirit." Peter is repeatedly spoken of as "filled with the Holy Spirit." The same expression is used of Paul. To "be filled with the Spirit," and to be "baptized with the Holy Spirit" mean essentially the same thing. Though present always in the believer, at times the Spirit reveals himself in special ways, and then the believer is said to be "filled with the Spirit." "The more frequent such baptisms, the better." Mr. Moody, in his "Secret Power," makes a distinction between "power in,' and "upon.' To be "baptized with the Spirit," or endued with power from on high," means a reception of the Spirit in fullness and manifest power for service.

All good spirits are born of the Holy Spirit whose name is Love. He is the Spirit of love. He is love, for "God is love." The truly great men and women of the Bible and of the world have been Spirit-filled, and hence Spirit-led. Let us keep in mind that the Holy Spirit is the "Spirit of Jesus," the Christ spirit. To have the Holy Spirit is to have the mind of Jesus.

Being filled with this spirit of Jesus is the secret of power in all Christian work. For convenience in treatment, I will divide the people into four classes: ministers, church members, Christians outside the church, and the unconverted.

1. It is the secret of power for the ministry.

The minister of to-day is almost overwhelmed with professional helps and organizations for carrying on his work. These things are often a positive hindrance. They hinder originality in thinking, planning, and research. There is something better than taking counsel of men, and that is communing with God. Man-made helps for the minister often hinder by taking the time and attention that should be given to "personal interviews" with God, through prayer especially, and also through Bible study and meditation So much is written about prayer, for example, that ministers may neglect it in the vain endeavor to know all about it. A bare intellectual knowledge is allowed to take the place of practical knowledge. One great reason for the fewness of conversions is the lack of a Spirit-filled ministry. The Spirit-filled minister preaches a continual sermon, his whole life being actuated by the love which is shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Spirit who fills him.

The Rev. Wm. Arthur, in "The Tongue of Fire," thus illustrates the value of the Holy Spirit in the Lord's work:

"Suppose we saw an army sitting down before a granite fortress, and they told us they intended to batter it down. We might ask them how? They point us to a cannon ball. Well, there is no power in that! It is heavy, but not more than a hundred weight, or half a hundred-weight. If all the men in the army were to throw it, it would make no impression. They say no; look at the cannon. Well, there is no power in that; it is a machine, and nothing more. But look at the powder! Well, there is no power in that; a child may spoil it; a sparrow may pick it up. Yet this powerless powder and this powerless ball are put into this powerless cannon; one spark of fire enters it, and then, in the twinkling of an eye that powder becomes a flash of lightning, and that cannon ball is a thunderbolt which smites as if it had been sent from heaven."

So ministers have the powerless speech to convey the truth, but when it is accompanied by the fire of the Holy Spirit, it breaks the stony heart and is mighty to the pulling down of strongholds. Pray for the ministers. Here is one great responsibility of the laymen. It is easy to say, "He lacks power;" but do you pray for your minister?

2. It is the secret of power for the church.

The many vacant seats in the pews on Sunday morning, the meager attendance at Sunday school, and the small and too often dull social meetings seen in too many churches, are largely due to the lack of a Spirit-filled church membership. Gloom, fault-finding, doubt, backwardness in duty, all help to kill the power of the church. These do not exist to any great extent in a Spirit-filled church. "Be filled with the Spirit," says Paul, "speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns, singing, and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always.... ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God." And then he goes on to speak, in order, to wives, husbands, children, fathers, servants, and masters. How many times the sermon has been spoiled in the hearing by something having gone wrong in the home! How often the Lord's Supper has been passed by because of the consciousness of some failure in the home! How often the power of a testimony, if not the testimony itself, is killed by some wrong temper or unholy spirit! Many churches are resorting to all sorts of schemes for attracting men to church and getting them to support the church, while the real difficulty lies in the lack of spiritual power in the church.

Church members seek pleasures and allow indulgences for themselves which simply make the Gospel more and more completely "hid to them that are lost." What, pray, has our denomination gained by taking the names of certain sinful pleasures out of the covenant? It would have been time enough to do this when our church members become so filled with the Spirit that they do not wish to do these things. Our Star editor was right when he said that theaters, dancing, and card playing "tend to lessen true piety and weaken influence for good." The rate at which these things have gained among us is alarming. The church members need to get to panting after God "as the heart panteth after the water-brooks," "to see thy power and thy glory as I have seen thee in the sanctuary." They need to pray, "Restore unto me the joys of thy salvation," etc. A rejoicing church is what makes religion attractive to men and women looking for relief from the burdens and trials of life The Holy Spirit filling the heart and life can alone give joy.

3. It is the secret of power for the Christians outside of the church.

There are thousands of them—far too many. Being filled with the Spirit would mean as a result with them, in most cases, being baptized and joining the church. They could not keep out. The kind of sanctification, or holiness, or Spirit-baptism that keeps men and women from joining the church is more properly "cranktification" than anything else. One of the tests of Christian discipleship is "love of the brethren." "Love one another," is the new commandment of Jesus, and how can it be fulfilled when men class all Christians and ministers of the "denominations" as "hypocrites?" The real in-filling of the Spirit takes away sourness, uncharitableness, and criticism.

4. It is the secret of power for the unconverted.

There are strong and good men and women among us who are unconverted. There are thousands of them "not far from the Kingdom." But, oh, how weak their lives, how sinful, compared, not with professing Christians but with Christ and what they might be if consecrated to God and "filled with the Spirit!" Those far away from God ought readily to see their need of the purifying and strengthening influences of God's Holy Spirit. The same great possibilities are for all through the divine Spirit. It is for all men to know "what a fellowship! what a joy divine! leaning on the everlasting arms!" How much it means to have divine help in our lives. "O come, and taste, and see."

A young soldier was once dispatched on a dangerous errand by Wellington. The young man said, "One touch first of thine all-conquering hand." Such inspiration lasts. To be "filled with the Spirit" means to be always in touch with the truly all-conquering hand of Christ.

Just a few words as to how to obtain the Holy Spirit in fullness. Here let one speak who had the Spirit in fullness and power through a long life of successful Christian service, Mr. Moody.

Some years ago, perhaps ten or fifteen, he seemed to lay emphasis on the idea of getting emptied first. He used to say: "But remember, he is not going to give this power to an impatient man; he is not going to give it to a selfish man; he will never give it to an ambitious man whose aim is selfish, till first emptied of self—emptied of pride and all worldly thoughts." Yes, but how is a poor mortal, all full of pride and self-conceit and worldly plans, to get emptied of these things? Later in his life, Mr. Moody gave better instruction. He said: "Some one said this morning, and I have had it said to me very often, 'Mr. Moody, why don't you tell the people that they must get emptied before God can fill them?' .....Now, I want to say to you that you can empty yourselves just as easy as you can fill yourselves, and no easier." Then he would give this advice: "My dear friend, you want to ask God to lift up the floodgate and let the tide come in upon you, and then these things will go of themselves."

Mr. Drummond agrees with Mr. Moody's later view, for he says, in his address, "The Greatest Thing in the World": "Souls are made sweet not by taking the acid fluids out, but by putting something in—a great love, a new Spirit, the Spirit of Christ. Christ, the Spirit of Christ, interpenetrating ours, sweetens, purifies, transforms all."

The first thing is a conscious need of that Spirit. "The greatest hope is found in the deepest sense of destitution." Then, go to Luke 11 9-13. Pray, believe, and wait.

"Hover o'er me, Holy Spirit,
Bathe my trembling heart and brow,
Fill me with thy hallowed presence,
Come, O come, and fill me now."

Conquering Besetting Sins.

He who makes excuses for them never will overcome them. The first thing is to admit that they are sins and must be conquered, that to overcome them will involve a severe struggle, and that this struggle cannot succeed without Divine help. In other words, face the facts if you expect to make any headway in conquering your besetting sins. Then do whatever is possible in the way of strengthening the will. This is easier with some than with others. It is possible to all. Earnest reflection, the realization of what any sin is in God's sight, and of the peculiar mischievousness of the special form of sin in question, and the resolution to be ready for it hereafter, and to resist it—these furnish strength of will, They confirm the purpose and resolve not to yield.

Furthermore, victory involves beginning again after failure. It is possible, of course, not to fail, yet nine times out of ten failure occurs before long, and is more discouraging because of the special effort to overcome which has been made. But it is a part of the discipline of character to go through the experience of failing and trying again. We ought not to fail, but, when we do fail, we must not be disheartened, but pray for Divine forgiveness and help, and face the struggle before us with determination greater than ever and with an affectionate trust in our Heavenly Father more intense than ever. No one can conquer besetting sins in his own strength. Let this be distinctly understood. Whether one be a Christian by profession or not, it is equally true, and the whole history of Christianity has proved it, that no one ever succeeds in overcoming the sin which besets him except as he depends upon and follows the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

It is Christ who wins the battles in us and through us. We are his soldiers in the fight against our sins, but we cannot fight even in his cause by ourselves. We must have and must realize the co-operation of His Spirit. Besetting sins are among the most entwined. They would not be besetting sins unless they were. Whatever their form, they have a grip on us which we never fully realize till we try to cast them off. Trifling although they may sometimes seem, as we first face them we soon learn that our relation to them is that of a real, terrible bondage. If we are to live Christian lives in any true sense, to know anything of the happiness, freedom and usefulness of true followers of Christ, it can only be as we consecrate ourselves without reservation to the struggle which begins when we first learn what Christ is like, and continues till our last breath, the struggle to overcome, in His name and for His sake the sin which doth so easily beset us.—Congregationalist.

How Stanley Was Converted.

During an interview between Mr. Stanley and a newspaper correspondent, the distinguished and intrepid explorer said: "I have been in Africa for seventeen years and I never met a man yet who would kill me if I folded my hands. What has been wanted and what I have been endeavoring to ask for the poor Africans has been the good offices of Christians, ever since Livingston taught me during those four months that I was with him. I went to him as prejudiced as the biggest atheist in London. To a reporter and correspondent such as I, who had only to deal with wars, mass meeting and political gatherings, sentimental matters were entirely out of my province. But there came for me a long time for reflection. I was out there away from the worldly world. I saw this solitary old man there, and asked myself, 'How on earth does he stop here; is he cracked or what! What is it that inspires him?' For months after we met I simply found myself listening to him, wondering at his carrying out all that was said in the Bible, 'Leave all things and follow Me.' But little by little his sympathy for others became contagious; seeing his piety, his gentleness, his zeal, his earnestness, and how he went quietly about his business, I was converted by him, although he had not tried to do it. How sad that the good old man should have died so soon. How joyful he would have been if he could have seen what has since happened there"

THE ROOTS OF THE CHURCH.

The closets of God's people are where the roots of the Church grow. And if the roots be not nourished, there can be no trees with branches and fruit. In many senses the root of the plant is the most important part of it. Men do not see it. It is hidden away down under the ground. Yet in the dark it works away, and in the secret laboratory it prepares the life which goes up into the plant or tree, and manifests itself in trunk and branches in leaves and fruits.

The beautiful leaf-fabrics are woven down in the looms of that dark earth-factory. The colors that tint the flowers are prepared in that lowly workshop. The little blocks that are piled in silence, one by one, as the fabric of the tree goes up, are hewn out in the secret quarries of the roots. He that would bless a tree must first bless its roots. So it is in the spiritual life. It is not the closet which men see. It is not a man's secret, personal religious life which the world understands and praises. Yet it is in the closet that the roots of his life grow. And if the roots be not nourished, then the tree will soon die.—J. R. Miller.

TO BE A CHRISTIAN.

To be a Christian is not merely to be good, but to be good for something. To be a Christian is not merely to join the church, but to become associated with the people of God for service, so as to both receive good and to do good. To be a Christian is not merely to make a profession of faith in Christ, but to live a life of service for Christ. To be a Christian is not merely to declare allegiance to Christ, but to be born anew into the life, power, and spirit of his kingdom. To be a Christian does not necessarily imply freedom from doubts, but it does imply exercising that living faith in Christ which in due time triumphs over doubts. Nicodemus and Thomas had their doubts, but by coming to Christ and clinging to him they achieved a complete victory over them all. To be a Christian is not necessarily to be sure that you are right and that those who differ with you are wrong, but it is to be very certain that you do believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and honestly strive to know and do his will.—Telescope.

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If there were any chance for salvation after death, the devil wouldn't work so hard to get men to put off their praying until the last minute.—Ram's Horn.

SIN OF NOT DOING.—Doing nothing at all is often the worst kind of wrong doing. Simply failing to do what we ought to do may be more inexcusable than any mistake in our best methods of doing. If we see another by our side in peril, and fail to give him warning or help within our power, his blood is as clearly on our head as though we had stricken him down with a club or a knife. What sentence of the Judge, in the great day of account, can be severer than "Inasmuch as ye did it not, depart from me?" Let us watch and strive against the righteous doom of not doing.—S. S. Times.

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