

(2) It is referred to as knowledge of "the deep things of God." As those two lovers who may let you see their bungalow throughout, and their furnishings and modern equipment and choice tapestries, and even perhaps their best wedding gifts, and tresseau, but still have some deep, deep things of their own away down deep in their hearts which you can neither see nor know; so Christ, the Lover of men's soul, may let the scientist scale to the very summit of this earthly house he has built for men, or dig to its foundation, or master knowledge of all the creatures with which He has beautified it and supplied it for us, and a thousand other things he may know about his domicile. Yet He has vast, deep things of His love and wisdom which "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man"—that is to say this wisdom is beyond all man's natural powers or learning—learning by the senses, "Eye" learning from hearsay, from our teachers, from literature. "Ear" learning by the scientific process of theory or hypothesis—"entered into the heart." There is a boundary to the horizon of the natural intelligence of man. Just as the instinct of our fine collie dog may approximate intelligence, but cannot pass over the boundary line to reason, so man's reason may reach toward and approximate, but cannot cross over into the realm of Revelation. See that forest of stately interrogation points (concerning God and the beginning and ending of things) that fringes the outward boundaries of all Science until today! See that dark cave of dense agnosticism at bottom of all men's philosophy still! And look again at that altar on Mars Hill even, "to the unknown god!" And learn that progress of learning of even this our wondrous day has not refuted nor altered the declaration that "men by wisdom knew not God's wisdom is too deep for men's primarily men."

There are six names given to the things with which this wisdom treats. These are "The things of God," v. 11. "The deep things of God," v. 10. "Things prepared for them that love Him," v. 19. "Things that are freely given to us of God," v. 12. "Spiritual things," v. 13. "Things of the Spirit of God," v. 14.

Now these last two give us the key to all the rest. The deep things of God which He hath prepared for them that love Him and which are freely given to us of God are not material things, but "spiritual things." Nor are they impersonal volatile, ethereal things—they are "Things of the (personal) Spirit of God."

And there are two remaining points to be noted. Each of these is of sufficient magnitude and importance to deserve an entire discussion.

First, only those that are (in a Christian sense) perfect are capable of receiving this Wisdom of God. Hence the great need of pressing ourselves and pressing one another on to Christian perfection, seeing this "wisdom is ordained to our glory."

Second, Ignorance of this wisdom results in mistreatment of Christ. "Had the princes of this world known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory," (v. 8.) And from whence comes this discredit of the miraculous birth of our Lord today, and this trampling under foot of the Blood of His Cross, and this denial of His resurrection, and this scoffing at the promise of His coming again? Not from the slums nor from the back woods, nor from the "scrubs" of humanity, but from the halls of those learned who have sinned against the Holy Ghost by denying His prophecies, His miracles, His inspiration, His incarnation of the Son of God; and our need and His power to regenerate and to sanctify the human soul.

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS— HOW TO HAVE ONE

Said old Gentleman Gay, "On a Christmas Day, If you want a good time, then give something away":

So he sent a fat turkey to Shoemaker Price, And the shoemaker said, "What a big bird! How nice!"

And, since a good diner's before me, I ought To give poor widow Lee the small chicken I bought."

"This fine chicken, O see!" said the pleased widow Lee,

"And the kindness that sent it, how precious to me!"

I would like to make someone as happy as I—I'll give Washerwoman Biddy my big pumpkin pie!"

"And O' sure!" Biddy said, "tis the queen of all pies;

Just to look at its yellow face gladdens my eyes! Now it's my turn, I think; and a sweet ginger-cake

For the motherless Finnegan children I'll bake." "A sweet cake, all our own! 'Tis too good to be true!"

Said the Finnegan children—Rose, Denny, and Hugh;

"It smells sweet of spice, and we'll carry a slice To poor little Lame Jake, who has nothing that's nice."

"Oh I thank you, and thank you," said little Lame Jake;

"Oh, what a beautiful, beautiful, beautiful cake! And oh, such a big slice! I'll save all the crumbs, And will give 'em to each little sparrow that comes."

And the sparrows they twittered, as if they would say,

Like old Gentleman Gay, "On a Christmas Day, If you want a good time, then give something away."

English Exchange.

INSENSIBLE GUIDANCE

The leadings of the Spirit are sometimes by the hand of Providence rather than by direct impressions upon ones own mind. Hence when conditions of submission, power and faith for divine guidance are truly met, the answer though actual may be insensible to ourselves. Thus these direction and this promise: "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust (sight and sense are not trust) also in Him and He will bring it to pass." Give Him His own time and way to do this: But believe "He doeth it."

Again; it is written, "The meek will He guide in judgment." This then is not suspension of our own faculties to make way for God to substitute His omniscience for our intelligence. No. This is rather promise of light, facts, evidence, advice suggestion and enablement in the processes of our judgment for to bring us to right and proper conclusions.—J. H. S.

We come and drink by believing in Jesus. There is no other way to approach Him. But before we can thus believe, we must yield perfectly to him. The sinner yields by consecration.

What we receive from Christ as we come and drink is the Holy Spirit. We receive Him continuously from moment to moment as we thus believe. We receive Him in a limited way during our justified experience. We receive Him without measure in our sanctified life.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Please find renewal for the Highway. We feel we could not get along without it, coming as a welcome visitor to our home. I praise the Lord for his goodness to me. He abides with me each day.

MRS. ALEX. ALLEN.

Dear Brother:

Enclosed find postal note for my renewal to the Highway. I find I cannot do without it as it gives me so much comfort in reading it. It renews my spiritual strength. I am trusting in Jesus daily and thank him so much for his love and care, and the strength he gives in time of trouble and sorrow.

MRS. G. F. DYKEMAN,

Dear Highway Readers:

I feel that we are one large family. I do enjoy the Highway so much, and always look forward to its coming.

I also enjoy the missionary letters. I have just been reading Sister Sanders' letter. I love to hear of the good work going on there, and my prayer is that God may bless them all, and may they be the means of saving many precious souls.

I praise the Lord this afternoon for salvation. Jesus is very precious to me these days. I want to thank and praise him for healing my body and giving me my health again. Our God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we can ask or think. Praise His name. I have enjoyed the summer very much, have been going around some with the Praying Band. On Sept. 21st, the band had meetings at Charleston; the meetings were good and at the evening service five rose for prayer, for which we thank the Lord. On October 12th we had meeting there again, the Lord was with us and at the close of the evening service one woman knelt at the altar for prayer and several raised their hands for prayer. Oh how my soul gets blessed to see people coming to Jesus. I believe there are unsaved ones all around us who would like to be Christians, but they keep putting it off. Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, let us all unite in prayer that 1925 may see a great harvest of souls. Let us believe God for victory.

MRS. GORDON YORK.

Dear Highway:

On November 24th Mrs. Wright and myself with our family were invited to spend the evening at the home of Mrs. L. S. Kinney. Upon arriving we found we were among the first to come, but soon a fair gathering of church folks and friends arrived and a very enjoyable evening was spent; after the passing of refreshments which was nicely served, and much enjoyed, Sister Mrs. Otis Ames on behalf of those present voiced their sentiments of good will toward us and appreciation of our labors in the past and wishing us success in the future; also we were presented with a token as a gift from those present. We feel very unworthy in ourselves, but pray that God may richly bless the pastor and people of Fort Fairfield Church and lead them on to success.

Yours in the work,
MR. AND MRS. F. T. WRIGG.