

CORRESPONDENCE.

Seal Cove, Grand Manan, N. B.,
February 8th, 1924.

Dear Brother:

We are sending our renewal for The Highway. We are pleased to get it. The testimonies of the dear brothers and sisters that we read in it bring cheer to our soul. I wish to testify this morning to the saving grace and sanctifying power of our dear Lord and Saviour that keeps my soul in peace with God and all mankind. I love him this morning for He gives me a robe of salvation that covers both soul and body. Glory to his name!

Yours in His Name,
IRVIN C. BENSON.

Dear Highway:

Since coming to Grey's Mills last September I feel that the Lord has dealt very kindly with me. I have very much enjoyed my labors with these dear people, who are humble, sincere children of God. When leaving for my home on account of my sister's illness, I was very kindly presented with a gift of \$45.00. To say that I was surprised would be expressing it very mildly, but my heart is full of gratitude to my dear brothers and sisters in the Lord for their kindness to me. May God bountifully reward them and make His face to shine upon them.

Yours in His Service
M. ELLA SLIPP.

Hartland, N. B., Feb 11, 1924.

Dear Highway:

We wish to thank the church and congregation of Victoria, N. B., through our columns for their thoughtful and kind remembrances to us of late especially. We were invited a few weeks ago to the home of Bro. Geo. Somers, and after spending a pleasant evening in songs, readings, recitations and speech-making, we departed for our homes, but not before they had said a good many kind things to us and given us a good liberal offering in cash and produce. We tried to thank them, but words are poor vehicles to convey one's feelings in a time like that. We feel that the work is going on fairly well and hope the coming months will see times of refreshing among us. We can truly say that the "glory of the Lord has not departed from us." Praise His name!

Yours in Christian Fellowship,
E. W. LESTER.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

These are halcyon days. I walk with God; I sing unto Him and rejoice in Him. I endeavor by His grace to preserve a "conscience void of offense" and have joy in the Holy Ghost. I delight in prayer and frequently have a day of intercession. I make friends of God's children. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" but His saints are His best heritage. He says "to the excellent that are in the earth and to the saints in whom is all my delight." God's promises are mine for the claiming. Amid life's trials Jesus whispers, "Lo! I am with you always." Blest companionship. I have many good books, and get good sermons in magazines; but I would be unsatisfied without the personal presence of Jesus Christ. He is in and beyond my joy and sorrow, and I expect He will be mine forevermore. Hallelujah!—B.Y.G.

Our thinking that we are right is not proof that we are so. Multitudes of lives have been laid down in defense of the grossest error.

THEORETICAL VS. PRACTICAL HOLINESS.

As easy as it appears to some to get the theory of second blessing holiness, and as difficult as it is for others, either seems much easier than to get the working of practical holiness.

It is not hard to write and preach about entire satisfaction, nor is it so difficult to prove that such comes only as a second crisis in religious experience. One may do this and be as devoid of the real fire, life and power of such an experience as can be.

Sad, but too true, that many have the theory to a nicety, can preach and testify to it, but the life is as devoid of the fiery characteristics of the experience as a last year's bird's nest is of the life of birds.

Many do not manifest that fullness of joy, that perfect peace, the holy ardor and zeal, the perfect love toward God and neighbor that the Bible clearly teaches are requisites of such experience.

How easy it is for many to carry no load, stay away from prayer meeting and church when a bit inconvenient to go, give but a little change which they do not need to the promotion of the cause of God near and far and get "peeved" and "miffed" if things do not go to suit them.

What a vast difference there is between holiness in theory only and the real thing—a heart aflame and aglow with the love of God doing all required in God's Book of holy characters.—A. C. Walkins in Holiness Banner.

IN THE BOAT.

"They had toiled all night and taken nothing, those tired fishermen whom the Master found on the lake shore that morning when he borrowed a boat from which to talk to the people. But afterward; when the healing and the lesson were over, and the boat had pushed into the water, once more the catch was marvelous. It was the same old lake that had yielded nothing all night, the same old boat which had beaten about in the darkness so vainly, the same old net that had dragged empty. There was nothing new but the success.

Will God's people ever learn that it is not modern steam launches, patent reels and much-advertised equipment that will bring success to any work, but the presence of the Lord in the boat? We are so eager for results, so easily discouraged with old measures, so desirous of trying something new that we too often forget the one source of power. It is the same world needing to be saved, the same human nature to be reckoned with, but the Master must be in the boat."—Forward.

MORE THAN A PRIVILEGE OR LUXURY

We once heard a preacher say concerning holiness that he was in the habit of telling his people who spoke to him about the experience of holiness, that it was their privilege. He might just as well have said that the keeping of the ten commandments was their privilege.

There are people who seem to think the same as did this preacher. They think it is a special luxury that the Lord permits us to have if we choose to have it. This is not the Bible doctrine of holiness. God says in his book that it is a duty to be holy and without it we cannot see Him.

The very fact that it is a privilege makes it a duty. It is the duty of those who love God and obey him to have all their privileges purchased in the atonement. The sacrifice of Jesus

Christ imposes upon all his followers the obligation of being all that his atonement has provided. How can we love Jesus Christ and be indifferent in our attitude towards the great salvation from sin that he purchased?

God says in His book, "As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance; but as he who hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." What would we say of a child who considered obedience to a parent simply a privilege, that it was optional? But such is the position that some take who call themselves the children of God. As great a luxury and privilege as is holiness, it is a greater necessity than any other. He who excuses himself with an open Bible from being holy under the notion that it is only a luxury stultifies himself by claiming that obedience of a divine command is only a privilege and that obedience in obtaining a necessity is only a privilege. Holiness is such a great necessity that the question amounts to this—holiness or hell.—Sel.

OBITUARY.

John Greer

John Greer passed away from this life to be with Jesus, at the home of his son, Solomon, 648 Union street, Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 9th, at 3.30 p. m., after an illness covering three weeks, although he had been in failing health for two years or more. He was born at New Maryland, York Co., 78 years ago last December, where he continued to reside till the year 1919, when he removed to Fredericton. He married Caroline Estabrooks, of Peniac, York Co., who predeceased him three years. Of this union nine children were born, three sons and six daughters, and all survive as follows: William of High Prairie, Alberta; James and Solomon, of Fredericton; Mrs. F. P. Wilson, of Gravelburg, Sask.; Mrs. N. Beal, of North Head, Grand Manan; Mrs. Hayward McCain, of Burton, N. B.; Mrs. E. Horncastle and Miss Martha Greer, of Fredericton, and Mrs. William Girdwood, of Red Bank, N. B.; there also survives one sister, Mrs. Charles Forbes, of Fredericton; twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He is deeply mourned by his children, as he was a kind and loving father. He was a member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of Fredericton, but usually attended the Reformed Baptist once each Sabbath since coming to the city. He was a man of deep piety and lived a life above reproach, honorable in all his dealings and his example told of his heart loyalty to Jesus. His hearty amens and hallelujahs in response to the truth will not soon be forgotten by the writer. All his children were at his bedside in his last hours except his eldest son. The funeral was held from the home on Monday, Feb. 11th, at 3 o'clock p. m., Rev. J. S. Sutherland officiating, assisted by Rev. P. J. Trafton. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful, speaking in mute tones to the high esteem in which he was held. He had a host of friends for he showed himself friendly. His sickness was born without a murmur, great peace was his and he faced death without fear, Christ was his Comforter and hope. Our sympathy goes out to the sorrowing family who have lost a worthy parent. His is the eternal reward.

P. J. T.