

## MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

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Via Paulpietersburg,  
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Dear Highway Readers:

As I awoke very early this morning, there flashed into my mind the admonition to Moses regarding the making of the tabernacle: (Heb. 8:15) "See, saith He, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed thee in the mount." Then followed, as if spoken to me, the spiritual significance, as set forth in the Bible; all so sweet and fresh, that my heart went out in renewed hunger for conformity to Christ, our pattern.

We are familiar with the setting of this text: When God delivered the ten commandments to Moses, He shewed him a pattern and gave him detailed measurements and instruction as to the building of the tabernacle. It was of vital importance that it be made exactly like the pattern, so that it would correspond to the "true" tabernacle in Heaven, where, now our High Priest has entered "to appear in the presence of God for us;" where He ever liveth "to make intercession for us."

Another reason why Moses must be so careful to make all things after the pattern was that it represented the individual man as the abode of God. For we read: "ye are the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you." This temple, then, is first God's, and not ours: "ye are not your own." Next, "the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." There has been the bringing to life from the dead or regeneration. Then followed the presenting of your "bodies (as temples) a living sacrifice. . . which is your reasonable service." The pentecostal "glory of God filled the temple," and the Holy Ghost, abides, not only to give joy, but to make us useful. He first sets us witnessing for Christ, for testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. Then we are introduced to our priestly office of intercession, where we, as did the high priest, bear the names and burdens of others on our shoulders and hearts. While thus performing our duties as prophet and priest, in the Holy of Holies, we behold as in a glass, the glory of our Lord and are transformed into the same Pattern, or "image," from glory to glory, by the indwelling Spirit of God; for this temple "must be exceedingly magnificent." (I. Chron. 2:25).

That same mountain-top experience that gave Moses the opportunity to pray, "forgive their sin—" and if not, blot me I pray thee, out of the book which thou hast written;" also gave him his vision in answer to his second prayer: "I beseech thee, shew me thy glory." So with Paul in his being "caught up to the third heaven," where he saw the glory of God, "and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter." This vision could not come until after his being "crucified with Christ," and enabled to say, "I could wish myself accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh."

This deadness to self and concern for others, is the distinguishing mark of the

Bride of Christ. "The Spirit and the Bride (in perfect harmony) say, come." It is significant that God sets His seal upon those who "sigh and cry," not for themselves (Ezek. 9:1), but for the unrighteous condition of others.

Next we notice that these individual temples, are "builded together (into one great temple) for an habitation of God, through the Spirit." For "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God." . . . And I will write upon him the name of the city of my God."

How appropriate that it should be John who saw this city, the Bride, the Lamb's wife, descending from God, out of heaven. He says that his view was from a mountain top, which reminds us of another vision he saw "on the Holy Mount," where he was shown a pattern, the glorified Christ, and later says, "we know that when He shall appear, we shall be like Him. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He (the Pattern) is pure." Praise God for His high calling. No wonder that Paul presses forward, asking that, at all costs, he may know (the Pattern) Christ. . . the fellowship of his suffering, being made conformable to His death." May we, like Moses, die to self, and ask, "I beseech thee, shew me thy glory," that I may be conformed to the same image. For when He came down from that mount, "he wist not that the skin of his face did shine."

Our Lord died that He might live in the hearts of His followers, and thus be multiplied many fold. Hear Him: "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it shall bring forth much fruit." "In this," says Christ, "is your Father glorified that ye bear much fruit, so shall ye be my disciples." "This is the mystery," affirms Paul, "which hath been hid, "until the Holy Ghost dispensation, "which is Christ in you." The indwelling Christ has now—but let me quote from Annie Johnson Flint, Moncton, Canada—

## THE WORLD'S BIBLE.

"Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work today:

He has no feet, but our feet, to lead men in his way,

He has no tongue, but our tongue, to tell men how He died;

He had no help, but our help, to bring them to His side.

"We are the only Bible, the careless world will read:

We are the sinner's Gospel; we are the scoffer's creed.

We are the Lord's last message, given in deed and word,

What if the type be crooked? What if the print be blurred?"

Yours in Jesus,

H. C. SANDERS.

## PRAYING BAND CONVENTION.

The second semi-annual Praying Band Convention was held in the Reformed Baptist Church of Fort Fairfield, beginning Friday, the 12th, and continuing over the Sabbath. This was a most remarkable gathering of saints and the

meetings were characterized by unity and brotherly fellowship.

The following praying bands were present: Fort Fairfield, Hartland, Caribou, Limestone, Fredericton and Knoxford; also visitors from other places. It was estimated that there were over a hundred visitors present.

The Friday night meeting was conducted by the Knoxford Band. This was a good starter. The Saturday afternoon meeting was led by Eugene Kimball. This meeting was a blessing to all. Saturday night the Hartland Band conducted the service.

The love feast on Saturday was led by Brother Gordon York. Following this meeting, Evangelist Good preached an excellent sermon. Two were sanctified and two were out for divine healing. Rev. Bernard Patton, pastor of Linnens Baptist Church, preached in the afternoon, three being at the altar. In the evening Evangelist Good preached again. This meeting was the grand finale of the Convention. The Spirit of God was present in convicting power, six souls being saved.

An unusual feature of this gathering was the many young people who were present. It is hoped that this convention will exert a large influence for full salvation over this region.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary.

## EVERYDAY PHILOSOPHY.

Never forget:

That the fairest flowers fade the soonest.

That knowledge leaves no room for chances.

That pride is never so offensive as when in chains.

That when men are lonely they stoop to any companionship.

That the darkest cloud often contains the most fruitful showers.

That the pure worship of a pure heart does not always keep the feet in the right path, unless the heart is inspired and made pure by the spirit of prayer.

That there may be loyalty without love, but never love without loyalty.

That a golden key will often find the way to open many a secret drawer.

That death is a sleepless messenger, and life a wakeful handmaid of creation.

That the sensitive, velvety paws of the kitten often cover the sharpest claws.

That "doing as well as you know how" is all right, if you always know how to do well.

That it is often more difficult to obliterate drops of spilled ink than drops of spilled blood.

That those that are honest, and earnest in their honesty, have no need to proclaim the fact.

That it may be well to test the condition of the cat's claws before stroking its fur the wrong way.

Finally, that the truest help we can render to an afflicted man is not to take his burden from him, but to call out his best strength that he may be able to bear the burden.—Selected.