CORRESPONDENCE

REPLY TO AN S. O. S. (A Bible Reading)

"If we suffer we shall also reign with Him"

The throne of Solomon was reached by an ascent of seven steps. At both ends of each step stood a lion. In the Book of Revelation a "greater than Solomon" invites us to sit with Him in His throne which is attained by the seven overcomeths, lion like difficulties purposely placed to be overcome.

Rev. 2:7, "eat of the tree of life," is the first overcometh and restores us to full fellowship with God, giving eternal life. It is a two-fold work of grace, including pardon and purity, so that Christ lives within. Jno. 6:53-57. Ours has been the "washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost." Therefore we are now ready for the next logical step, viz., testing, like our Master after His anointing. Christ was tested forty days while we have but ten days." Rev. 2:10.

Every candidate for kingship finds himself sustained by the Christ within, the "hidden manna" of the third step. Rev. 2:11. This is the inner sanctuary experience of Heb. 10:18, 20; "the secret place of the Most High," where no evil can befall (Ps. 91). Here we learn to endure, upheld by the abiding Comforter. This is the negative side of the discipline, fitting us for kingship. Christ "must needs suffer," and being thus "made perfect" "enter into His glory." So it is given unto us ... to "suffer for His sake." See also Rom. 8:17. Every item in the programme of individual suffering is so arranged in detail, as to "work together" for our good. Rom. 8:28. We learn to find comfort in Him who "bore our griefs and carried our sorrows," and "always causes us to triumph," bringing us off "more than conquerors." Every trouble is a Divine appointment, that we may learn to trust Him to deliver. The Red Sea deliverance brought forth the "song of Moses" like the ransomed from the great tribulation shall sing (Rev. 15:23) after their deliverance, and victory over the man of sin. "Call upon me in the day of trouble, and I will deliver thee, and thou shall glorify me."

The next, the fourth step, shows us the positive side in our training. Rev. 2:26-28. "Keepeth my words." Not only do we learn that the Son of God walks with us through the fire and floods, but He also works through us in ways supernatural, for the benefit of others. "They who do know their God, shall be strong and do exploits." "The works that I do shall ye do also."

It is inspiring to note that this overcomer of Rev. 2:26-28 is again mentioned in ch. 12: 5, 11. Also in ch. 9:7-9, where becomes apparent the need of the fifth step to the throne. Rev. 3:5. "Clothed in white raiment." The Bride of Christ must be properly clad in garments "for glory and beauty."

The sixth overcometh further identifies the Bride of Christ. Rev. 3:12, "I will write upon him . . . the name . . . new Jerusalem." Rev. 21:9 and 10). Don't forget that "these light afflictions" of the second overcometh, ch. 2:10, "work for us" the "exceeding glory" reflected by this city. See Rev. 21:10, 11.

The next step is the climax, the natural one following the other six: "Will I grant to sit with me in my throne." Rev. 3:21. Therefore, "beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial, which is to try you," but rejoice

in the privilege of fellowship with Christ in His suffering being made conformable unto His death. Phil. 3:17-15. For the ones who are to reign with Christ, love not their lives unto the death. Rev. 12:11. To finish our "course with joy," we must say "neither count I my life dear unto myself." Let therefore the saints who suffer according to the will of God, know that they are being fitted to reign with Christ.

H. C. SANDERS

Lower Cambridge,

Queens Co., N. B.

Rev. H. S. Dow:

Dear Brother: Enclosed find renewal for the Highway which we enjoy reading very much.

Yours,

CHAS. L. SLIPP

Th account of our Young People's Meeting at Westchester, which appeared in the last issue of the Highway, should have been signed "Minnie L. Rushton. Reportr-Agent." This deplorable error was due to a lapse of memory on the part of the undersigned, who acted as reporter-agent in writing up the account, and as I always say to the Superintendent of Postal Service, "I am very sorry, and will be more careful in future to avoid the occurrence of a similar offence."

HAZEL F. WEBB

Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed find two dollars (\$2.00) to be used \$1.50 for my subscription and 50 cents for Supplementary Fund.

I can truly say, although I have passed my 86th birthday, that I enjoy reading the Highway just as much as I ever did.

I am still enjoying the finished work of Christ and am just watching and waiting for the coming of the Bridegroom.

May God bless all you dear people in keeping up the standard of old-time salvation, is my prayer.

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. MARY LOWE

15 Penobscot Ave., Millinocket, Me.

To the Highway:

Just a note to let you all know that I am still enjoying good health and love to read the Highway, but not re money letters from the friends, and have not had any word from P. J. Trafton and I wrote him and didn't get a word; don't know why and have forgotten his address and could not find it in the paper. Would like to hear from him.

I remain,

Yours with love,

A. B. CRAIG

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Rev. H. S. Dow, Moncton, N. B.:

Kindly pardon a new subscriber taking a busy editor's time. The first copy of the Highway was here when I arrived home and has already been read and re-read. Thanks for promptness in sending it.

One thing I have thought over and over and feel constrained to add my word. I refer to a paragraph in the editorial on page 4 of the August 31st number. I fear many pastors, if they have the experience themselves, are taking it for granted that the people know about

it. Since a child of twelve I have been a member of a Methodist Church and an active worker in Sunday school and Epworth League, not only at home but throughout the district. So far as I know I never heard a sermon on entire sanctification, or if I have, it was in such a form as to make no impression or cause a second thought on the subject. It remained for one of your faithful pastors two years ago (Rev. G. A. Rogers, at Belvidere) to make the first lasting impression. It was my good fortune to attend prayer meeting the second night of my visit, and there I heard from the pastor words which stayed with me. They caused me to think, to listen at every service, and to watch the daily lives of my cousin's family, till I could not go home without the same experience.

Too much cannot be said these days about the influence of earnest, devoted pastors' words, nor the daily lives of conscientious Christians.

I thank God every day that when I was so lonely after sister's death I was led to spend the summer at Belvidere.

> Very sincerely, CORA D. E. ROBINSON

Note.—The writer of the above attended Riverside Camp Meeting this year and there sought and obtained the experience of entire sanctification.—Ed.

Royalton, N. B., Sept. 25, 1933

Dear Highway Friends:

By way of a small report from Royalton, we arrived Saturday evening Sept 9th, and since that time have been busily engaged getting settled and getting acquainted. We are already enjoying our new work, our new surroundings, our new home and our new life in general.

The people have been most kind to us, and have co-operated splendidly to make it easy to get started with our work. On Friday evening, Sept. 15th, people from Royalton and Brookville came to the parsonage and gave us a royal reception, which also turned out to be a donation of eatables and a wedding shower. We feel very grateful—and better acquainted. The Royalton church had the parsonage partially furnished when we arrived, and with what articles of furniture we had ourselves, we are very comfortably situated. Very recently the Brookville church has added a day bed, which is most acceptable and very much appreciated.

On Friday evening, Sept. 22nd several car loads of people from the Woodstock church came in on us for a surprise party. This was certainly more than could be expected, especially as since they added to our stock of gifts, three new comforts and a lovely china tea set. We feel that we have been welcomed from college in a most wonderful way by our friends. We thank the Lord for Christian friends.

Since coming we have had four Sunday services at Royalton, besides Prayer Meetings and Sunday School. Brother Hollis Kimball is a good pastor to follow, for the church is in good condition, and we are planning for and expecting some great times in the next few months. We find a wonderful little group of people at Brookville—enthusiastic, sincere and spiritual. By the help of the Lord there is a good future for that new work. We have been over there three times, and have been very conscious of the Lord's blessing.

We solicit your prayers in our new field of labor.

Yours in His service, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. S. Blaney