

## CORRESPONDENCE

Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed please find the money, \$1.50, for the renewal of the King's Highway. I would not be without it, the reading of it brings so much spiritual blessing to my soul. Praise God for the knowledge of sins forgiven and for the joy and blessings that I receive from my blessed Lord. With God's help I mean to keep true, praise His name forever.

MRS. FRED LYONS

Rockport, Mass.

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed please find payment for my Highway. I enjoy reading it so much. I can't very well get along without it.

Jesus is still sweet and precious to me, guide and refuge of my soul, I want to be drawn closer to Him.

Yours in Him,

MRS. ANNIE B. SEAVEY

57 Liberty St.,

Everett, Mass.

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed you will find postal note for renewal for the Highway. It should have been sent over a week ago. I have been holding on to the Lord for an outpouring of His Spirit on the Camp this year. So glad Jesus never fails or changes. It makes such a difference which way we are looking. If we are looking at world conditions, our minds are in a confused state. But if looking unto Jesus we see an Almighty Wonder-working God, who can open prison doors, make a way where there is no way. Hallelujah!

"Trust in the Lord at all times, pour out your hearts before Him, ye people. God is a refuge for us."

This scripture made an impression on my heart yesterday. If these few lines are worth a place in the Highway, all right. If not the waste paper basket is handy. Wish more of our people would send in testimonies to the Highway. I love the dear little paper. I find these days we have to persevere in prayer. The enemy of our souls would have us easy, and think things were going along all right. If we keep pressing through, Jesus will break in on us. Bless His dear name.

Love to all the Highway readers and God bless you, Brother Dow.

MRS. J. H. SABEAN,

Jeremiah 3-23

Truly it is vain to look for salvation

From the mountains, hills or dale

For all earthly hope is hopeless

And earth and earthly things will fail.

But the Mighty God of Jacob

He will hear lost sinners cry

And the soul that's truly seeking

Will get their answer from the sky.

Truly in the God of Israel

There is pardon full and free

For God's own Son on Calvary

Paid the price for you and me.

Hasten while the door of Pardon

Is open towards this lost and sin-cursed world

And we know He will forgive us

For it's recorded in His word.

—Florence E. Rogers

## THE SUPPLY OF THE SPIRIT

By Joseph H. Smith

Philippians 1:19

The indwelling Spirit will supply all of our spiritual needs as we rely upon Him.

The Indwelling Spirit is as a fountain head source of the rivers of living water that are to flow out through the influence, life, service and ministries of the truly sanctified believer in Jesus Christ.

While He is personal in and of Himself, we are to think of Him as the mountain top reservoir of all the graces, virtues and enablements required by our being for the duties, the trials and achievements of the Christian life.

Hence, when we read of the "Supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ" we are not to think of the Spirit Himself as being afresh supplied to us—as though He had been absent or withdrawn for a time; nor not exactly as that new measures of His light, or life or love are then added unto us; for resident within us the Comforter is all divine, all omniscient, and powerful and benign. But His impartations of patience, meekness, courage, wisdom and power are according to the ever recurring, and many times changing demands upon us. Only as the drought has made necessary the opening of all the floodgates to valleys below does the reservoir above respond with full head outflows of the life-giving, fruit-maturing stream. So it was when opposition, opportunity and obligation pressed upon the early apostles that "they came to their own company," without any sense of depletion of their already tested spiritual resources, or any withdrawal of the Spirit Himself from their purified hearts, but with conscious need of a still greater measure of power and courage and zeal—not to replenish but to augment their resources. In answer to their prayer, and as reward of their faithfulness, they were "filled with the Holy Ghost and they spake the word of God with boldness."

In the Philippian text referred to, Paul is not speaking so much of supply for service, as he is the supply for Suffering. It sometimes happens that endurance calls for greater help than exertion. One of the apostles recorded prayers for one of the churches asked that they might be "strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and long suffering with joyfulness." (Colossians 1:11).

Now, beside those fresh outpourings necessitated by the drought for the orchards that we noted, the tramped grass and bruised flowers are needing gentle sprinklings almost continuously—certainly every day or two from gentler flowings of the living water. Many persons who faltered not before great opportunities and obligations have been known to fall under little irritations and annoyances and disappointments. The supply of patience is as needed as supply of power. And the lesson to be learned is that we are not to rely upon our own consecration or our purpose for either of these, but upon the resident Holy Ghost who is present and ready momentarily, and, when need be mightily to supply, to exactly and fully meet the need of the hour. Things outside of ourselves create the demand and He within ourselves provides the supply. Hence we are assured that "God will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able." And the explanation is that "Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world."

In the history of Stephen who, we may remark, as a frontispiece to the Book of Acts, is an example of "A man filled with the Holy Ghost." We have a somewhat complete illustration, or demonstration of the Spirit's recurring supplies

in rapidly succeeding order. We will be careful to note that at the outset he is presented to us as: "A man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." (Acts 6:5). Now in verse 8 we find the Spirit supplying him with power to "do great wonders among the people." In verse 10 he is supplied with a wisdom which his opposers were not able to resist. In verse 15 there is supplied a radiance to his very countenance, which with the beautiful spirit he was manifesting in his speech, made them in the council think of an angel. The whole of Chapter 7 (to the end of verse 50) is a marvellous display of the Spirit's supply of illumination and gospel application of practically the whole of Hebrew history. No acumen of Stephen's own, nor any university attainment, could ever have accounted for this. Nevertheless, the supply of the Spirit was made through human intelligence and man's speech.

Next, we note a remarkable supply of courage, as fearlessly he charges their rejection of Christ and the mistreatment of His servants as sin against the Holy Ghost, (verse 51), and delivers, as it were, God's valedictory to the Jewish hierarchy.

Now, for his own delectation and preparation for the final outcome, he is supplied with not a vision, but a sight of the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. This we read was likewise from the fullness of the Holy Ghost. (See verse 55).

But to crown it all, he has an abundant supply of the love of Christ. The very love that was sounded out from Calvary's Cross in the words, "Father forgive them" is now heard echoing midst the rattling of stones, "Lord lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this he fell asleep."

Thus the various demands made upon the Christian, for strength, for patience, for wisdom, for faithfulness and zeal and courage and love, even all in a single day, are met by the manifold and diverse supplies of the Spirit, if we but momentarily depend upon Him to have us ready to meet every exigency.

As we are taught of our Lord to pray and depend for our bread daily, so He that has promised to supply all our material needs is just as able and as willing to supply instantly our spiritual needs for the momentary changing conditions of every day.

## A FATHER'S LOVE

In the common pleas court in Cleveland, Ohio, in the trial of a case, the question was raised as to the affection of a father for his son. A physician testified that when the boy was ill it became necessary, in order to save his life, to secure some living flesh. The father was informed of this, and he unhesitatingly offered to allow the doctor to take as much from his body as he needed for the boy. Thirty pieces of living flesh were literally cut from the father's body, causing excruciating pain and suffering. In the hospital this was engrafted on the poor suffering boy, and he soon began to show signs of renewed strength. During all this time the father did not seem to notice his own suffering, so great was his sympathy for the child. What a commentary such an incident is to such Scriptures as "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him," or the other declaration of David, "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up."—Sel.

Much talent is often lost for want of a little courage.—George Eliot.

Gold is the fool's curtain that hides his defects from the world.