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EDITORIAL

"REIGN THOU SUPREME"

"Spirit of God, O take full control:
Thy presence, now, enthrone in my soul!
Fulness of love to me now impart;
Reign Thou supreme, O Lord in my heart."

I am sorry I cannot recall the name of the writer of the above beautiful prayer, so as to give due acknowledgement, but it has been repeating itself to me, and I am passing it on to you to ponder.

How few really pray and mean such a prayer. Many want Christ as Saviour, but comparatively few desire Him to reign supreme, and to take full control. Dr. Paul S. Rees tells of a young man in England who, having enthroned Christ in his heart, testified: "I did serve Christ; He was my King, but I fear He was a constitutional Sovereign, and I was Prime Minister. But now He is absolute Lord." Yesterday I read the testimony of a young woman in which she confessed: "I belonged to Him—yes! But He didn't possess and have all of me." Do not those confessions describe the true spiritual experience of many, including some who profess to have embraced Christ as their Sanctifier?

Isaiah 26:13 records this like confession: "O Lord our God, other lords beside Thee have had dominion over us." Note the words, "Other lords beside Thee," not **instead** of Thee. Do they not suggest that God may be supplemented rather than excluded? "Other lords beside Thee" exactly describes the experience of many. Thus the Lord does not reign supreme in the heart. The Spirit of God does not have full control of the life.

The things we have considered are serious. They are because we can only be fully blessed and used as we joyfully enthrone Christ within. They are because we can only experience God's will as He is given full control. But consider, too, the seriousness of refusing Christ the place and the right which are truly His.

Frances Ridley Havergal wrote the following words, which ought to be the prayer and experience of every reader:

ALL OUR RANSOMED POWERS

By A. B. Simpson

"Be Filled with the Spirit"

This means that not only should we have all there is of Him, but that He should have all there is of **us**. Is every part of our being filled with the Spirit?

Have we received Him into our spiritual nature to lift us up into the life of God? Have we received Him into our intellectual nature, to cleanse, to quicken, and to use? Have we received Him into our physical being, to purify every member, to consecrate every power, to heal, and to employ our lips and hands and feet, and all our ransomed powers for the service and glory of Christ? This is what it means to be filled with the Spirit.

It means, also, to be filled with Him in all the circumstances, seasons, moments, interests, and occupations of our life. It means the indwelling of God in all our human relationships and activities. It means to have Him in our business, in our trials, in our joys, in our gains and losses, in our family affairs, in the whole circumference of life. It is the spiritual application of the miracle of the widow's oil poured out into all the vessels of our diversified human life.

There's no time too busy for His leisure;
There's no task too hard for Him to bear;
There's no soul too lowly for His notice;
There's no need too trifling for His care.

THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT

The late Andrew Murray

To each believer who would fully yield himself to the leading of the Spirit, as well as to the Church as a whole, in its longings for the experience in power of all that the indwelling

Give thyself to the set purpose to love and labor for God's children within thy reach, who through ignorance or feebleness or waywardness and grieving Him. The work of the Spirit is to build up a habitation for God. Yield thyself to the Spirit in thee to do the work.

Take thy part in the united intercession that rises up to God for the unity of His Church. Take up and continue the intercession of the Great High Priest for all who believe, "that they all may be one." The Church is one in the life of Christ and the love of the Spirit. It is, alas! not one in the manifested unity of the Spirit. Hence the need of the command: Keep the unity.—Eph. 4:3.

Plead with God for the mighty workings of His Spirit in all lands and churches and circles of believers. When the tide is low, each little pool along the shore, with its inhabitants, is separated from the others by a rocky barrier. As the tide rises, the barriers are flooded over, and all meet in one great ocean. So it will be with the Church of Christ. As the Spirit of God comes, according to the promise, as floods upon the dry ground (Isa. 44:3), each will know the power in himself and others, and self will disappear as the Spirit is known and honored.

THE PRAYER OF FAITH

It is far easier to the flesh to submit without the answer than to yield itself to be searched and purified by the Spirit, until it has learned to pray the prayer of faith. It is one of the terrible marks of the diseased state of Christians in these days, that there are so many who rest content without the distinct experience of answer to prayer. They pray daily, they ask many things, and trust that **some** of them will be heard, but knowing little of direct answer to prayer as the rule of daily life.—Andrew Murray.

FROM THE ALLIANCE TREASURER

Dear Highway Friends:

A few words regarding matters Financial. Alliance expenses have been unusually heavy this year. The work at Beulah, the "extras" for Riverside, and the Superintendent's salary have all but depleted the treasury. Coupled with these demands the income from the churches has been all but nil. Only four churches have paid on the General Fund since Alliance. Pledges, made at Beulah, have been coming in fairly well, but many of these are yet unpaid. This all totals up to a dangerously insolvent Treasury.

Now, as in the past, a knowledge of the need will doubtless be sufficient to stir our people to action. I have neglected placing this matter before you, but I pray your response may be immediate and liberal. Will the pastors present this need to your churches at once, and will those who made pledges, please, make partial, if not full payments, as soon as possible?

Mail all monies for Alliance and General needs to me at the following address: 295 Gibson Street, Fredericton, N. B.

Yours very truly,

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