

(2) That entire sanctification is an instantaneous act of God, wrought in the soul of man.

The verb "sanctify" in the original Greek text is in the aorist tense. This clearly denotes instantaneous action—something done in a moment of time. We must never confuse purity with maturity. Maturity admits of growth; but in purity there are no degrees. Either a thing is pure or it is not pure. There is a process leading up to, and following, the crisis of entire sanctification. But the actual cleansing of the heart from inbred sin is a single, instantaneous act of the God of peace. Not by our growth, our suffering, our prayers, or even our complete consecration are we entirely cleansed from the carnal mind. It is by a stroke of omnipotence, in response to the faith of the consecrating believer in a sanctifying God. "Sanctified by faith" which is in Christ Jesus, is the glorious affirmation of Acts xxvi:18.

(3) That entire sanctification is a thorough cleansing of man's tripartite being.

The fall in the Garden of Eden affected man's tripartite being—spirit, soul and body.

The spirit, as the medium of true fellowship with God, was cut off from communion with a holy Creator. Thus Adam became "dead" in trespasses and sins. The soul, embracing the emotions, intellect and volition, was defiled; and so the imaginations were darkened, the affections polluted, the mind corrupted and the will weakened. Man became a rebel, a murderer, a liar and an idolater.

Sin also affected man's body and rendered it mortal. The book of Genesis, which early tells of a man in a garden, walking in sweet fellowship with God, ends with the picture of a corpse in a coffin, in Egypt. What a commentary on sin's accomplishments!

But, whereas the first Adam failed in a Garden, the second Adam, Jesus Christ, triumphed in a wilderness. More glorious still, our Lord, through His atoning death and triumphant resurrection, restored to the tribes of Adam all that their father had lost.

And so, in the work of entire sanctification, the whole of man's domain is dealt with. The spirit, which in regeneration is quickened from the dead, is, in entire sanctification, freed from all guile and becomes "one spirit" with the Lord. Paul tells us that the Christian who is really "joined" or wedded to the Lord is "one spirit" (I. Cor. vi.17). Despite a thousand trials and infirmities, the believer who is entirely sanctified enjoys unbroken communion with the God of peace.

His soul is thoroughly renovated, so that the affections and motives are purified, the thoughts are brought into subjection to the obedience of Christ, and the will is energised to resist evil and to do good.

His body becomes in reality the temple of the Holy Ghost. The God-given appetites and passions are controlled by divine grace. They are not destroyed, because they are essential to human nature. Christ Himself had them—"He pleased not Himself." Paul clearly distinguished between the "body of sin," which had been destroyed through his identification with the Cross of Calvary (Romans vi:6), and his

WHY A "BUDGET-PLUS" MISSIONARY OFFERING BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Sunday, Sept. 28th, has been designated as "Home Mission Sunday" by the Home Mission Board of our Church. On that day our pastors are requested to preach a message emphasizing the need of evangelism and revival in our land, and our churches are asked to make an all-out effort toward a "budget-plus" offering for Home Missionary work.

A "budget-plus" offering simply means an offering which reaches and surpasses the amount the church has been asked to contribute towards Home Missions for the church year. It is the budget for Home Missions in full, plus as much as the church can raise beyond that mark.

Why are we asking for this type of offering? Why? Because we are in the midst of the greatest Home Mission effort since the early days of our church. Our Evangelistic Crusade has challenged us to a vigorous, intensive effort in the field of evangelism, an earnest and prayerful effort toward revival which will quicken our faith, clarify our vision, and keep us zealously active in extending our borders and the influence of full salvation in the area in which we are privileged to work for the Master.

Our Crusade has led us to launch tent meetings, revival campaigns, church building programmes, property purchasing (lots and buildings) in communities where we feel called of God to serve. Our Home Mission Board purchased a building lot at Barker's Point last summer for the purpose of holding a tent meeting, and, it was hoped, erecting a church. God was pleased to honour the faith demanded by this move and today we have a fine basement church in that community and a splendid group of people. A tent meeting was supported by our Mission Board in Glassville, N. B., last summer and now a new church building is nearing completion there and will be dedicated to the preaching of holiness this month. A tent meeting was organized and launched in the beautiful town of Sussex following Beulah Camp of this year, and has been going on all summer. A strong team of

human body, which he "kept under" and controlled for the glory of God (I. Corinthians ix:27).

Many sanctified Christians go back into sin because they fail to realise their sacred responsibilities as sentinels over their own bodies. Dr. E. Rattenbury, the well-known Methodist writer, has wittily and wisely stated that "John Wesley taught sanctification by faith and by getting up at four o'clock in the morning." In other words, the instantaneous cleansing of the heart from sin must be followed by a life of daily self-denial and discipline.

(4) That the blessing of entire sanctification is a preparation for the Second Coming of Christ.

The God of peace, who sanctifies us wholly

workers, Revs. N. E. Trafton, R. H. Nicholson, R. H. Hobson and wife, and Paul Mullen, have been preaching and singing in this summer-long campaign, and interest has been wonderfully good in view of the polio epidemic. People of that town are asking if we will not establish a plan for regular services there, and a hall is being engaged for this purpose with Rev. R. H. Nicholson volunteering to "stand by" this new effort. Right now a \$2,000 repair and renovation job is being done on the church at Old Town on which we have a twenty-year lease. This work will make this building one of the finest in our connection. In July we purchased (by faith) a new church building in Halifax for \$7,200. This building will be given repairs and improvements which will cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000. Thus for \$10,000 or less we will have a fine church building in the heart of the toolargest (more than 100,000) city in our Maritime-Maine area.

Buying lots, supporting tent meetings, repairing and purchasing church buildings, all essentials in our Crusade efforts, cost money. Strong financial support must be given if our advance is to continue. There are many more communities where we need to make investment toward the establishment of new churches and we can only accept these opportunities as our people respond generously. Our budgets in full, plus all that our churches can and will give beyond these allocations, will not be too much. Our venture at Sussex will need a strong supplement if a pastor is to be maintained. The Halifax project will call for strong financial support that a pastor may be properly supported, advertising be done, and a radio ministry established. We need a record-breaking Home Mission offering on Sept. 28th if our Crusade programme is to be carried on through the church year. Will you, brother pastor, and you, fellow Christian, get behind the Home Mission effort so that you may report a budget-PLUS offering?

"The acid test of a Spirit-filled Christian is his reaction to personal enemies."

in a moment of time, is able also to preserve us blameless (not faultless) unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This precious experience of grace gives us the heart of a bride—the bride of the Lamb. It is a heart that is pure and constant, utterly devoted to the heavenly Bridegroom. It has no eyes for alien lovers, but waits in glad anticipation for the marriage supper of the Lamb. And, while it waits and works for the Lord's return, it is enabled to

"rejoice evermore, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks, prove all things, hold fast that which is good and abstain from all appearances of evil."

Faithful is He that calleth you, Who also will do it.—The Flame.

HOME MISSION SUNDAY AND "BUDGET-PLUS" OFFERING SEPT. 28th