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EDITORIAL

PENTECOST AND RESULTS

"They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and . . ." (Acts 4:31) Not period, as seems to be the case with so many professors of the Pentecostal experience. The Spirit's fulness produced results. "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and . . ." That is the wording, and the wording explains the experience. There is always something to add when people are truly Spirit filled. Of course there is the inner cleansing, the fulness of love, and the divine empowering. But such purity, love and power ought to produce definite outward results.

The particular result given in Acts 4:31 is courageous and confident lip witnessing. "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness." There was the same result on the day of Pentecost. Lip witnessing was the first outward result in both cases. And that is what we might expect, since Jesus had said, "Ye shall receive power, when the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be My witnesses."

We do well to stress that the witnessing is by **life** as well as by **lip**, and that the Spirit's power is for both. But is not a little more emphasis needed on the witnessing by **lip** as well as by **life**? And we mean more than testifying in prayer meeting and love feast, important as that is. The witnessing of the Early Church was to the unsaved. Both preachers and people spread the gospel message. It is written of them that they "went everywhere preaching the word." That is why its message spread so quickly and proved so powerful. Not even when they were threatened, persecuted, and forbidden to witness did they slacken their efforts, much less cease. They declared, "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." And ought not the experience of Pentecost to produce like results today?

"They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak . . . as the Spirit gave them utterance." "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake . . . with boldness." Evidently the Spirit of God gave them something to speak about, and courage, confidence, and power to speak it.

Let us, then, see the secret of being Christ's witnesses, and if need be pray: "Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me."—E. W. T.

CONSECRATION . . .

Francis Ridley Havergal, towards the close of 1873, entered upon a spiritual experience that transfigured the rest of her life. "On Advent Sunday I first saw clearly the blessedness of true consecration," she tells us. "I saw it as a flash of electric light, and what you see you can never unsee. There must be full surrender before there can be full blessedness. God admits you by one into the other." This thought finds expression in her hymn, "In full and glad surrender." One of the fruits of this experience is her well-known Consecration Hymn, which was literally true of her in every line. This is how she describes its composition:—"I went for a little visit of five days to Arley House. There were ten persons in the house, some unconverted and long prayed for and some converted but not rejoicing Christians. He gave me the prayer, 'Lord give me all in this house,' and He just did. Before I left the house every one had got a blessing. I was too happy to sleep, and passed most of the night in praise and renewal of my own consecration, and these little couplets formed themselves and chimed in my heart one after another till they finished with 'Ever, only, all for Thee'."

WITHOUT RESERVE

One of the marks of a man who follows the Lord fully is that he brings a good report of the "life more abundant." Caleb does not look at the giants, but dwells upon the grapes of Eschol. By life as well as by lip the whole-hearted Christian testifies that we may be **strong in the Lord** and in the power of His might.—S. M. Warner.

PRAYER-POWER

If we would just lay hold upon God with unconquerable persistence of faith-filled prayer, a good many things would give way against which we have been battling with our puny human wisdom and power in vain. The prayer-power has never been tried to its full capacity in any church.

If we want to see mighty wonders of divine grace and power wrought, in place of weakness, failure, and disappointment, let the whole Church answer God's standing challenge: "Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."—Dr. T. Payne.

PRINCIPLES OF ABIDING

As Christians, there are a great many things that we cannot do and a few things that we cannot do without. Proper instruction along this line is always helpful to one who has entered into an experience of grace, either in conversion or in sanctification, in order that he may be able to withstand any attack of the enemy and to make genuine progress in the Christian life. Many backslidings would be averted if a few primary principles were adhered to.

First, it is well to declare your faith in definite testimony upon every proper and suitable occasion, using Scriptural terms. Do not be afraid of the Bible term sanctification—the experience and the expression of it by that name are Siamese twins which ought not to be separated; to do so is dangerous.

Prayer and Bible study are as essential to the Christian life as are breathing and eating to the physical. No one can live without them—you are no exception. Make it your first duty every day to speak to God before you talk to anyone else, and to read from the Word before you read anything else.

A close third to these essentials is soul-winning. It is invariably so that the person who fails to share his religion loses what he has. The converse is just as true, that the more he gives out to others, the more he has for himself.

One final word we would add, which is very inclusive, namely, obedience. No one can fail to walk in the light of these or any other Scriptural injunctions without soon walking again in darkness. Even the greatest blessings can be dissipated by a very small disobedience; it is the "little foxes that spoil the vines."—Selected.

GOD OUR VINDICATOR

We make a mistake in trying to clear ourselves; we should be wiser to go straight on, humbly doing the next thing and leaving God to vindicate us. "He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday." There may come hours in our lives when we shall be misunderstood, slandered, falsely accused. At such times it is very difficult not to act on the policy of the men around us in the world. They at once appeal to law and force and public opinion. But the believer takes his case into a higher court and lays it before his God.—F. B. Meyer.

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