

to attend? You should. You can't afford it? You can't afford to miss it!

Christian people of to-day live under great pressure. They need the spiritual renewing that Camp Meeting provides. We are in dire need of new vision and power for work in our local churches. The Camp Meeting is a natural setting for finding this dynamic.

Preaching by Rev. James Chrispell, highly recommended evangelist of the Wesleyan Methodist Church; singing by DeVerne and Paul Mullen; more preaching and singing by an array of capable speakers and musicians. These things we should not miss. And the fellowship of the days spent at Beulah is of priceless value.

Attend Beulah Camp Meeting if you have to borrow the money to get there. I mean it! It may prove to be the investment of the year!

YIELD

An Editorial in the "Wesleyan Methodist"
by the late Oliver G. Wilson, D.D.

Coming onto a highway recently I saw this sign: "Yield the right of way." This little sign at the side of the highway started a chain of thinking that may be carried over into Christian living with telling effect.

In II Chronicles 30: 8 are these meaningful words: "Now be ye not stiffnecked as your fathers were, but yield yourselves unto the Lord." The teaching is clear that in our relationship to God when our desires or wills go contrary to His will for us then we are to yield. We are not to bend as a tree before a gale but we are to surrender, yield the point, and accept His position patiently and take the consequences. Romans 6: 13—"Yield yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God."

In our relation one with another very often the grace of yielding is seen as a genuine characteristic of goodness.

The spirit of yielding should be on both sides of any controversy. From a contemporary church paper we have this little paragraph: "One family in a small church felt called upon to vigorously assert themselves in all phases of the activities of that church. Gradually the majority yielded to their pressures and allowed them to run it. Eventually these lost interest and drifted away. The effectiveness of that church was destroyed."

A great soul cannot yield principles, but he readily yields personal desires. He is ready to suffer for truth, and to surrender preferences for peace.

Yielding to many of us may mean giving up positions of leadership as teachers or officers which have grown precious through the years. It is with just pride that we may say I have served twenty or twenty-five years in that job. Yet with a worthy generation coming on we may be asked to yield some treasured position. To yield gracefully without incriminating the acts of another will bring rich comfort when eternity is dawning.

When the heart is covered with the dews of sympathy and watered by the gentle showers of kindness it is not difficult to yield the right of way either on the highway or in a business meeting.

"Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you" (Eph. 4:31,32).

Of grave concern to me are those teachers who are not prepared for the task, and are not willing to prepare for it.—E. B. Wallace

THE GOSPEL OF THE CAMP MEETING

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While regeneration and entire sanctification are two distinct works of grace in the believer's heart, in I John 1:9 they are shown side by side. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us (for) our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." The words "forgive" and "cleanse" are both in the Greek aorist tense, which implies the work of a moment. It is a crisis in the life that can be both timed and dated. As for my own testimony: "On the morning of August 30, 1937, at five minutes before eight o'clock, as I was in the Kingsland Road, London, England, God sanctified my soul."

Sanctification is a crisis that develops into a process in the life—that is, the Spirit-filled life. Cleansed from sin, the "fruit of the Spirit" then manifests itself through the life, for "the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace..." and so forth. Perfect love was the expression used so frequently by Fletcher of Madeley, and John Wesley, to define this blessing of entire sanctification.

As to testimonies from those who have entered into this fullness of blessing, here is the experience of the author of the classic *Perfect Love*, J. A. Wood. He received this blessing of heart holiness during a camp meeting at Binghampton. "Brother Wood, there is no use in you trying to dodge this question," said one of his own church members. "You know your duty, and may as well commence seeking holiness first as last. If you will lead the way, and define your position as a seeker of entire sanctification, you will find that many of the members of your charge have a mind to do the same." God humbled his heart, and he promised to appoint a meeting on the subject of heart holiness. He also requested prayers for his own soul. To use Wood's own words, "In an instant I felt a giving away in my heart, so sensible and so powerful, that it appeared rather physical than spiritual. In a moment after I felt an indescribable sweetness permeating my entire being..."

Unless you are well conversant with the story of early Methodism in Britain, the name of Mrs. Bathsheba Hall will be unknown to you. Here is her testimony, as John Wesley published it in the *Arminian Magazine* in 1781. "Twelve months after I found peace, I saw a greater salvation to be attained." A friend had told her of the wonderful experience of entire sanctification in her own life. Mrs. Hall says the Lord applied the message to her own heart, and finally spoke the word of full deliverance through the promise to the leper, "I will, be thou clean," then through that word in the Song of Solomon, "Thou art all fair, there is no soot in thee." As she lifted her heart in surrender and faith, "In that moment the Lord came as a rushing mighty wind, which filled all the room...Immediately I felt that I was healed with the Holy Spirit of promise."

A brother heard Edward Davidson speak at one of the British (Methodist) holiness conventions. He had chosen as text the words, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." "His comparison of the disciples," he says, "before Pentecost and after, revealed to me my need of the Spirit's indwelling. In naked faith I took God at His word, and believed to receive the Holy Spirit. There came into my heart a strange new sense of power and peace which deepened from day to day."

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