

THE CHURCH MILITANT

stant and serious meditation, in order to comprehend somewhat of the greatness and beauty of Zion. A casual glance at the Church, or the once going round about her, will not suffice to impress upon the heart her power and magnificence; the mind must dwell upon her, and that not merely in a general way, but on the particular parts, such as the towers, the bulwarks and palaces.

We are exhorted to tell the towers. When we can, then we have become familiar with her majesty and the extent of her conquests. The towers point to heaven's purity, peace, glory and perfection. Let man know in how many ways the Church of Christ directs him to that which is noblest and best. Count the number of the watchmen upon the towers of Zion and know that they are sorely grieved when there are signs of spiritual decline and when sin gains the ascendancy; but know also that they have a joy that is unspeakable when Zion prospers, and when she is mighty in conquest.