

THE ANNUAL HOLINESS CONVENTION.

Again we draw attention to this gathering, although this may reach the reader so near the time appointed as to be of but little service.

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday the 12th, 13th, and 14th days of this present month, the time appointed as previously announced. Come in the spirit of expectancy. Come in the spirit of consecration. Come in the spirit of glad, present acceptance of all the gospel blessings, that you may abound in labors for others. Come in faith, nothing doubting that the Lord the Spirit will lead us into a larger place of Christian privilege, for "still there is more to follow."

ALWAYS WITH US.

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In our homes and on our way
Christ is with us all the day ;
Thrills above us such a song—
Burns within us such a fire,
That our footsteps never tire,
As we journey hence along.
O how sweet His presence is !
He is ours, and we are His.

Fears dispel and joys arise—
Glow with light the prophecies,
Since He travels by our side,
Talking as man never talks,
Walking near as Jesus walks,
Willing with us to abide.
O how sweet His presence is !
He is ours, and we are His.

Evening shadows, one by one,
Mark our journey nearly done—
And we turn aside for rest ;
Jesus, Master, known before,
Tarry with us evermore—
Thou our Guide, be thou our Guest.
O how sweet His presence is !
He is ours, and we are His.

Risen for us from the grave,
Mighty Saviour, save, O save !
Hide we now ourselves in Thee,
Resurrection is achieved,
Seeing not, we have believed ;
Blessed ones, indeed, are we.
O how sweet His presence is !
He is ours, and we are His.

What is it that makes me truly and savingly religious? What is it but right personal relations to a living God? Nothing short of this can avail. Right views, attendance upon ordinances, fervid emotions, honesty in dealings, neighbourly kindness—all are good ; all are required. But true religion has for its essence and end nothing short of right personal relations to a living God. It is out of these that Christ came to reinstate us. It is because men forget this that there is so much heartless formality in the Church, and godless morality without. First, last, and always, we are to "fear the Lord, and serve Him, and obey His voice."—*Episcopal Register*.