

company of our Pilgrim fathers were in great destitution, waiting for a ship from England with supplies which was long overdue. One good woman in the company had been praying in strong faith and telling the people that the ship would come in due time. Sure enough, one morning they looked out over Boston Bay and lo, the ship was in full view and their hearts were filled with joy and hope. But when the morning dawned the ship had disappeared. Some of them said it was a mirage or perhaps a refraction of the coming ship projected by indirect rays of light before the ship itself came into full view, but they felt sure that as they had seen the vision they would surely see the ship. And they did. Before the week was over she was docked in the harbor and was dealing out her stores of bread to the starving colonists.

And so God gives us first the vision of the living, personal, glorious Christ and soon our eyes shall see Him and we shall be with Him forever. Let us understand Him in all His glory and some day we shall be like Him when we shall see Him as He is.—S.

THE BIBLE TEACHING ON HOLINESS & SANCTIFICATION.

Every believer in the Lord Jesus Christ has more or less hatred of sin and love of holiness. Sin is that which God hates. It is lawlessness. 1 John iii. 4. It is rebellion against God, treason to Him. It is wickedness, iniquity, disorder, ruin.

Holiness is the opposite of all these. Holy describes what God is, "I am

holy." Man being away from God is unholy. He is a sinner, a rebel. But God has in love and mercy provided salvation, a way by which He can save man from sin and make him holy. Satan hates holiness, so he will fight it in every person, will seek to get all who want to be holy to believe something that is not in Scripture.

Right here let us look at one plain mark of Satan's work. Mark it well that every doctrine which leads people to look within themselves instead of looking at Christ is of Satan. All teaching which leads men to look at their own holiness or attainments, which turns the eye away from Christ and to anything we have done or have received is unscriptural. Occupation with self, even if it be a pious self, or occupation with our own holiness cannot please God.

It is Jesus we are to be thinking of, speaking of, writing about. Our hearts, minds, affections are to be taken up with Jesus. "If ye then be risen with Christ," which all are who have believed in Christ, (read Eph. ii. 1-8, especially verse 6,) seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. Col. iii. 2. This is plain, it is what God would have His people do, but what do we find? So many advocates of holiness are thinking, talking, and writing about their own holiness, are taken up with what they claim He has given them, instead of with Himself. Too often in holiness papers, books, testimonies, SELF—a holy self is made prominent. It is not the beauties and glories of Him