

you will find your mistake full soon. Confusion of tongues will be the token of heavenly displeasure, and in the ruin of your prostrate Babel, the vaunt of your Atheism will be seen to be a discarded lie. No wrong can be redressed, no fear dispelled, no sin removed, no sinner saved, without God the Spirit in the fulness of His divine working; and the plenitude of the Spirit is poured out in answer to prayer. You expect your minister to pray. You think you can discover, sometimes, by the vigour or feebleness of his services, the measure of his individual devotion. But is the prayer to be all on one side? Are you under no obligation too? Think you there is no difference felt when you come to the sanctuary with dull face and leaden feet, and when you come straight from the Pisgah summit, with its shinings on your forehead, and its fragrance on your breath, and your footsteps glad as when you have pleasant memories of a friend? I tell you here is just the difference between curse and blessing. Give me a praying Church, and there will follow the mighty ministry, and startled sinners, and the gracious rain, and the opened and peopled heaven. If the ministers are