

to you, without any thought of success. If success were the chief thing for you, instead of working to leaven the world by your life, then heaven ought to begin before you were done with the earth, and yet many noble and good men never find success as it is understood by the world. Upon the other side of the stone is the Holy Spirit. When you face your troubles with a brave trust in God you will meet the Holy Spirit with not only a promise of guidance, but with a hand held out to lift you over the hard places. If you desire to be gentle, you may begin to cultivate the grace of patience, so that the hasty word may be restrained and you may be kind to those who grieve and annoy you; but if you will go out to meet the blessed Spirit and allow Him to possess you, the gentleness of Christ will shine through your life.

God always surprises His children with His promptness in relieving them. So soon as you lift up your eyes you will see that the stone is rolled away. The delays of God are beckonings to His throne of mercy. The surprises of divine grace are gleaming rays from the Sun of Righteousness. In the unexpected moment when the burden is upon your heart and you are in the company of Christ, angels lift the burden and put a song in its place. When, as a truant child, you stand at the outer door of salvation and