

disciples wanted to know truth, they went to Jesus, a man. We should forget the past; only use it to benefit us, to lead us to a higher life. Jesus was perfected by suffering, and so are we.

How far are we from the condition of Peter? We are fitting and preparing for the future life. We should give it careful consideration, and leave our corn plow when we can be ennobled. We live measurably in a world of sin. I do not know the influence that will meet me.

We need a Saviour to overcome the temptations, to get within us a power that will enable us to resist temptation. There are sins of commission and omission. The power of God is the same as it ever was.

Walk through your city to-day. It is quiet. In the Churches we hear the name of God, that we should trust in Christ.

But there is something open six days in the week. What can I do? I'm only one. I need not go there. I need not vote for Bacchus. I wrap around me a cloak of self-righteousness. If I would be strong, I must go out and work. God has given me an influence. If that influence is love, never dying, why does it not reach out to that soul?

God meant us to be happy. The outward world is perfect. God did all His part. We make ourselves unhappy by sin.

There came a time in my life when I felt His living presence for months, then I felt it dying out, and it is darkness and death to be deprived of the life of Christ.

All around me were men and women needing to be saved. A voice spoke to me plainly: "Arise, and go to work."

First-day afternoon the Conference was held. A number were in attendance, and the exercises were all good. Each recitation contained a lesson, and of the seven essays, the majority were excellent, and all were

written by young people, which is an encouraging fact.

Business meeting Second-day morning. All the queries, with their answers, were read and comments made upon them, some especially at some length. There was considerable other business, all of which was transacted in great harmony of feeling. At the close we all felt that it had been a season of great refreshing, and that it would be helpful in our everyday duties. Several Friends from a distance were present.

Comments on 2nd query, Isaiah Lightner: If we can love one another it is the foundation of Christian religion. I hope this spirit of love will continue to grow.

In answering the third query, Isaiah Lightner urged that we be careful to observe moderation in regard to following the fashions of the world, especially at funerals; that we show love for our friends while they are living, instead of making a great display after they are dead.

Edward Coale: The first query is of such vital importance: Are Friends diligent in the attendance of meetings? A meeting for worship is a place to be fed. If that hungering and thirsting soul has been fed it will come back.

Our meetings are held for a purpose. Old men and women, young men and women, when they have not been fed they will not come back but a few times. Truth is unchangeable, but our conceptions of truth differ. If our meetings do not meet the necessities of the people we are doomed.

What are we doing? Truth has a gathering influence. George Fox proclaimed a new doctrine; with his bright intellect and the power he received from God, he pointed the people to the Spirit of Truth in their hearts.

What can we do to increase new life? We must endeavor to know our own necessities. Use our light. An organization should go out, not simply keep itself pure.

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