

or fresh. They have gone over a vast amount of ground. They have known Brother Laird much longer than I knew him. But he and I were brought to a knowledge of the truth within a very short time of each other. We were within two months of the same age and had lived together for two years in this neighborhood. I do not stand here as one of his very old and much-beloved friends—I can't lay claim to that. But I stand as one who has been intimately and closely associated with him in the work of the Lord in this city. I have had much fellowship with him. Whether greatly beloved by him, I know not and cannot say, but to me he was a brother greatly beloved. We were together very many times and in close fellowship. Outside his own denomination I suppose there was not another minister in the city who enjoyed such close fellowship as I have had with him. Time and time we have bowed down together in my study, not far from this place, pleading with God to minister to the flocks over which he and I had been made overseers. This reminds me that the last public utterance of Brother Laird was given by him in St. John Church, and that was when we were calling for those who were willing to undertake a house-to-house movement and who were longing for a fuller and more powerful baptism of the Holy Ghost. After a very strong address by a brother minister, Brother Laird rose to his feet and said: "I am thoroughly in sympathy with this