

5. Finally, two remarks made to me some time since by an acquaintance and personal friend of Mr. George Muller, of Bristol, England, who understands the nature and workings of his "system," have been in my own case strikingly verified within the last two and a half years. The first remark was to this effect: "When we go to *man* for aid, we are usually put off with a little less than we ask for. But God reverses this. His usual method is to give us more than we ask." I can bear ample testimony to the correctness of both of these positions. In many cases the latter one had been fulfilled to the letter. The exact amount needed has been sent to us just at the proper time, with a "little over," so that we could say with Paul, "We have *all* and *ABOUND*."

The other remark was this, "God will keep you usually very short and dependent." We have found it exactly so. We never have much money by us: often none. We have no wish "to lay up treasures upon earth," but we desire to make large provision for the future, to lay up treasure in heaven—in the bank that cannot fail, "where no thief approacheth, nor moth corrupteth," a treasure in heaven that *FAILETH NOT*. We therefore make our tithes for thank-offerings, to be devoted to charitable purposes, as prompt and as large as we can be permitted to make them. What comes in must therefore be immediately expended;—*paid* away, or *given* away. And we never know, and can seldom even guess, who will send us the next supply. But so surely as it is really needed, just so surely it comes, whether the sum required for any emergency is large or small. We are thus instructed in the meaning of the petition, "Give us this day our daily bread," and we learn to act upon the inspired injunction, "Be careful [*i. e.*, anxious] for nothing; but in *EVERY THING* by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God," and we find in our own experience, something of the fulfillment of the exceedingly great and precious promise, "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Truly we may say, "The Lord is nigh to all them that call upon him: to all that call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of them that fear Him. He also will hear their cry and will save them. My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever." Amen.

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