

iniquity might be stopped, that God's judgments, if nothing else will do, might stop the manufactory. I once thought a woman was out of her place to do anything in a public way for the cause of Temperance. I think now a woman that will not lift her warning voice as she has opportunity, in view of so many of her own sex that are dragged down to the lowest state of degradation and misery in this life and the dreadful hereafter awaiting multitudes, is not worth the name of a woman. God help us what our hand findeth to do, to do it with our might as unto the Lord, and not unto men, as I have written this.

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Effects of Fellowship.

There is no form of blessedness so full and complete as that which results from the fellowship of pure and kindred minds, in respect to objects of spiritual and happying mutual interest. Such a state is a primary demand of our social nature. Such is the strength of this principle within us that we can scarcely enjoy any form of good when separated from other minds. Happiness departs, and leaves us desolate and sad, when we have no kindred minds with which to sympathise. Such fellowship not only intensifies our joy, but has sovereign power to turn our deepest sorrows into the most perfect and abiding forms of gladness. Minds in fellowship become possessed to the full extent of their capacities, each of the blessedness that dwells in the heart of the other. "In fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ," the human spirit will, to the fullest extent of its evergrowing capacities, be filled with the blessedness that dwells in the Divine mind.

The most marked peculiarity, perhaps, of such fellowship is the perpetual *assimilation of character* which thereby arises between kindred souls. When two minds are in such endearing intercommunion, the virtues and excellences of each are perpetually taking form and embodiment in the character of the other. A mind of lower, in fellowship with one of higher order, is being perpetually raised to the conscious possession of the superior excellencies of the latter. "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise" God, by bringing sanctified spirits into fellowship with himself, will be eternally elevating them to higher and higher resemblances to His own infinite excellencies, and to higher and higher fruitions of His own infinite blessedness. If we would be God-like in our character, we must seek and attain to that state in which "our fellowship shall be with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ."

