

and dogmatic teaching, even of the most venerated of men, and builds its house on the immutable *word* of the Lord as its foundation, even upon the "thus saith the Lord," spoken *within* in all the clearness and perfection of proof which the Holy Ghost brings with Him in guiding believers individually into all truth.

Yes, and whilst so doing, the man who is free in Christ Jesus, gladly "opens his mind to light, whence-soever it may come." And all new truth is received not merely as "an angel from heaven," but as the embodiment of truth, whether it is received as syllabled out in the open book of nature or more clearly spoken from the human heart, whilst amidst the acquirement of all knowledge "the oracle within," the Spirit of God dwelling within as a clearly recognized guest and friend, representing the Godhead according to the definite revelation of Jesus Christ, has right of way throughout the entire being.

He whom this truth makes free is free indeed. He is free as being emancipated from the yoke of bondage which tradition, superstition or human assumption would fain place upon him. He is free from the yoke of a morbid or diseased conscience in himself or in others, and all the false judgments and self-upbraidings which result from this prolific source of unrest, for henceforth He that judgeth him, and He alone, is the Lord.

Finally, whilst this absolute abandonment to Pentecostal truth "quickeneth and exalts" the energies of him so walking in the Spirit, it neither supersedes nor destroys the human, but so co-works therewith, that is, becomes their complements, that then, and then only, can a man be said to be a complete man in accordance with the thought of God.

MAN, without the protection of a superior being, is secure of nothing that he enjoys, and uncertain of everything that he hopes for.

LIVE then to-day; be it thy earnest care to improve the present hour. This is your own, and it is your all. The past is as nothing to you; it is not yours; perhaps it never will be. Therefore live to-day; lose not an hour; use this moment, for it is your portion.—*John Wesley.*

## EFFORTS TO MAKE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OTHERS.

This will always show itself where the walk in the Spirit is not complete and continuous. He who does not so walk is not well enough acquainted with the Comforter, and so has not sufficient confidence in Him to leave his brother in His hands for sure, unerring guidance concerning all things. Many who have obtained rest concerning the dress question, physical manifestations, leadership and bodily health, and can leave their brethren in the hands of the Spirit with restful assurance that they will be led into all truth concerning these things if they carry out the instructions of the Guide Divine individually received, can still perchance show lack of confidence in the work of the Spirit in other directions.

What about leaving our brother to the tender mercies, and all-wise individual guidance of the Holy Spirit in such matters as attendance on the various church services, private, public or family prayers, giving money for church or benevolent purposes, attending to the ordinances of the Lord's Supper and Baptism, and Bible study?

Now, none of these are questions of morals; they all immediately and exclusively connect themselves with the attitude of the soul towards God. And further, we remark just here, that no brother can dogmatize to another concerning any or all of these things without immediately kindling the fires of sectarian animosity and rending the body of Christ. He who presumes to make the true discipleship of another depend on practising his views on any of these matters, no matter how orthodox his views may chance to be, to that extent sows the seeds of dissension, and makes impossible perfect unity in the Spirit between himself and all the followers of Christ.

But this thought, to be of any value, must have all possible latitude, and our brother believers be left in the hands of God for individual guidance in these directions without any limitations whatever on our part. For the moment we make any limitations in any direction, then the truth of Christ's utterance,