

\$5,000 of our church mortgage, and were encouraged in the work by a conditional promise of \$300 if the balance could be raised. We went to work for it, and mightily cried unto God that He would send us the money. Never in the history of the work was the Jewish opposition so strong as just at that time, and never did we have to cling to God with such a tenacious faith.

The money came in very slowly, so that the friend who had promised us the \$300 began to fear that the conditions on which it was to be given would not be fulfilled. This brought us afresh to our God; we cried, "O Lord, show thyself a God that heareth the prayer of Thy people," and He so moved for our encouragement that the same person (before the imposed conditions were fulfilled) gave me a cheque for \$500, and in a short time other amounts came to hand, and at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in May, the whole of the \$5,000 was on hand.

Thus our Lord appeared for us and encouraged our faith in Him.

"Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be His glorious name forever: and let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen, and Amen." (Psalm lxxii. 18, 10.)

FIRE.

Says the *Michigan Advocate*: "If Methodism could only be set on fire with holy fervor and enthusiasm, all her myriads of services and all the powerful agencies she is operating, there would result such a mighty revival and such an onward sweep of religion as would amaze the lands." Who doubts this? But the difficulty is in getting the fire; it is one of the scarcest things on earth, and yet there is plenty of it in heaven.

"O that it now from heaven might fall,
And all my sin con. me!
Come, Holy Ghost, for Thee I call,
Spirit of burning, come!"

And yet if the fire came after the real Pentecostal sort mayhap they who now call for it would be the first to try to put it out.—EXPOSITOR OF HOLINESS.

It is so much easier to raise your hand at a revival meeting, to signify that you are a Christian, than it is to lift the same hand to do a good deed after the meeting is over.—*Ram's Horn.*

WESLEYANISM.

"We may have such an experience of the salvation of our God, that we shall not merely believe that all things take place in our experience for the best, but we shall know it. 'And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.' (Rom. viii. 29.)"—*John Wesley.*

Here is all that we contend for in walking in the Spirit, in compact form. How can we have this knowledge unless all we do is right, and therefore pleasing to God? And how can we do what is right unless we know exactly what to do any given moment, and have the witness of the Spirit concerning it? From observation in actual life we find that none do so know unless they are consciously led of the Spirit in all things. And as the Bible connects the two, therefore it follows that the way to *know* is to accept the Holy Ghost and walk in Him.

SIFTED.

In St. Luke's Gospel, we are told
How Peter in the days of old
Was sifted;
And now, though ages intervene,
Sin is the same, while time and scene
Are shifted.

Satan desires us, great and small,
As wheat to sift us, and we all
Are tempted;
Not one, however rich or great,
Is by his station or estate
Exempted.

No house so safely guarded is,
But he by some device of his
Can enter;
No heart hath armor so complete,
But he can pierce with arrows fleet
Its centre.

Wounds of the soul, though healed, will
ache,
The reddening scars remain and make
Confession;
Lost innocence returns no more,
We are what we were before
Transgression.

—*Longfellow.*