

ness thereof," but His ownership is not duly recognized.

Let us do our share, however small or large, for Him whose are the silver and the gold and the cattle on a thousand hills. And let us give directly, systematically and cheerfully. The Lord, who stands over against the treasury, seeing what men give and knowing what they keep, will multiply our offerings in the splendor of the arithmetic of Heaven. He will astonish us with the tremendous work they will accomplish and the joy that will roll back upon us. This surely is the word of God to a rich people in a goodly land, "Make to yourselves friends with the mammon of unrighteousness, so that when it fails they may receive you into everlasting habitations."

Paul, who had sacrificed everything for Christ and counted it a privilege and a joy, illumines the whole subject of giving over and over again in the light of the Cross. And lest any one might fail to understand he uses many figures to illustrate his meaning. In that fine chapter, 2 Cor. ix., he says in the sixth verse, "He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." A man cannot expect much harvest if he scatters a bushel of wheat over ten acres of land. Nor can any-