

And the individual testimony given by Abram, Isaiah, David and Jesus, of God's presence in them, is positive, and that God is Lord and Saviour of the human family, illuminating their spiritual pathways; holding the same position and bearing the same relation in divine order, heirs of God by birth, instructing each in the succeeding generations—none excepted.

"Obey my voice and thy soul shall live:" and in steadfast, heartfelt devotion coming nearer and nearer to Him. That God is saviour of his own is conclusive, for we are living witnesses to the practical, sacred simple truth promulgated by Jesus. "If any man will do God's will he shall know of the doctrine; whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." His receiving the spirit in greater degrees altereth *not the law*. That we can be positive witnesses, by the spirit, of the gospel of God and its fruits. That the prophet was a man of God is shown by Jesus opening the book, preaching from Esaias. Again said he, "I came not to destroy the law, or the prophets, but to fulfill." "I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

I think we understand that God is Saviour of his own everywhere. Yes, the gospel has been received in its purity from God in every age, through the one and only enduring channel, to the minds and souls of the people of God, in their individual measures; inspiring them to a higher life and walks with him, by his own loving presence, "for the grace of God hath appeared unto all men"—teaching them.

"It is the spirit that quickeneth, the flesh profiteth nothing;" even standing in the way of some. God is no respecter, and we are equally blessed without the outward body, as they were with it; because it profiteth us not, but the pure spirit was always and is ever present; giving life to the children of men, from whom the gospel is taught to all who have allegiance with him. The voice of God is understood

by his children and comprehended to-day, the same as in bygone ages, without shadow of alteration, and it is the one and only way, equally accessible and plain to us, as it was to our forefathers.

"If the seed is in good ground, it will grow and produce; the divine seed is of God," and the yield will be good if properly tilled, for God alone supplieth the rain, without it there would be no harvest. Each one must do his own work, and receive the gospel by and through the spirit, as his talents are employed. Substitution is not known in the transaction between God and his household. This sacred order was established in the beginning, and will ever continue, following not after the flesh, or letter, but after the voice are the children of God, by whom the gospel is freely opened to man's understanding, and to be educated by it is the highest privilege allotted to man; requiring not an Oxford education, as is the testimony of Paul. Demanding not forms or creeds, but, "My son give me thine heart."

"I am thy God, thy Saviour," from me thou receivest every blessing, and has been my law from the foundation of the world; "But ye will not come unto me that ye may have life;" "For the Kingdom of God is within you," and you may know him there as Saviour, and how he saves. Positive witnesses of the gospel of God, with manifold blessings obtained of the Father who is authority.

"Know ye not that ye are the temples of God, and that the spirit of God dwelleth in you," hence our ability to learn the gospel as it was in Jesus, from our individual measures; positively partaking of divine love from the one and only provider. God over all, not over a part. We have our own choice, accept good or reject it, as we may elect. The way is not hid, but open to all in wisdom's way, for he is ever near ready to receive if we will obey and follow him. As believers in Christianity we give precedence to the