

He is no respecter of persons, but has placed us all on an equality. We are not, perhaps, all equal in attainment, but are equal according to our faith and obedience. There is nothing mysterious about it. When we raise the understanding's eye above earth and above earthly things we will come to see that God lives among men, not as the Christian world says exactly: "For Jesus' sake," but for *our* sake—for our own individual and eternal welfare. For our good He sent Jesus Christ into the world as an example for us to walk by. For our own good Jesus would pray the Father to send the Spirit of Truth that shall dwell in you and will guide you into all truth. Have we thought of these things in this light? Let us divest our hearts of everything pertaining to self. Be not ashamed to make known to man and to God our conditions, for this very day will salvation come to our house. Day is the period of light; and this day, the acceptable day for us, is when the light dawns upon the understanding—when it is illuminating the soul—then, and only then, can we walk and not stumble. That is the acceptable time for us to labor and work out the soul's salvation, and that salvation is to be experienced here and now. "This day is salvation come." It is to save us from doing anything wrong, to prevent us from committing error, and will be our Saviour sent into the soul to bring us back from the barren mountains of professions, it will reach out and find all in the different states and conditions, and bring them into one heavenly enclosure, which is a home not merely in a hereafter, but may be experienced and enjoyed in this present world. Here and now we may occupy one of the mansions in the Father's house. These different mansions, as I understand it, are the different states and experimental stages that the soul enters in its growth, and they become broader and more magnificent all the way up the scale. Taking it literally, how can there be mansions in

a house? It makes a wrong use of terms taking it thus; but there are many states and conditions and degrees of peace and happiness experienced by the soul that is expanding under the directing influence of God's presence.

No matter how far we have strayed away from the Father's house, if we become faithful to the things that are pointed out, that God of thy life and my life will receive us again in His home; and continued faithfulness will bring us up through these mansions that are prepared. Let us not look back and lament over the past, but turn our faces to the things that are before us; let your minds be filled with heavenly visions, only with the things that are lovely and of good report, and your lives will be conformed thereto and be beautified by all the Christian graces. Every word should thrill with God's spirit, and we should reach out for His light, and be led by it. Led by it like the wise men formerly. They followed the light in the East; meaning, as I understand it, the first dawning of the intelligence upon their understanding, the first intimations to them that there was a Saviour born, and, following that light, they were led to the Saviour. If we, when the light dawns in the East, that is, at the first intimations of duty, would be faithful to the manifestation and follow it we would find the Christ child born in our own souls. It is not ours to question the reasonableness or the propriety of it, but only to be submissive to the power of the Holy Ghost, even to the: "Be it unto me according to Thy word." If we would be submissive to God's will concerning us, we would experience all the miraculousness attendant upon the conception, birth and growth of His only begotten Son in our souls, and there will be rejoicing all our days, and the Lord will be magnified, and praises shall be transcribed to His holy name. For great things has not only *been* done by Him that is mighty, but also *is being* done. Let us not question