

Lord had free course and was glorified among them; but dissensions, removals, deaths, &c., have left the church but a mere fragment of what it was there, and in Falmouth the brethren do not even meet together. If some faithful and devoted Evangelist could spend a few weeks there, I think he might succeed, under the blessing of God, in calling them together again, and in adding a few more who seem to be waiting for the moving of the water. Brother D. Crawford has been laboring in Cornwallis, and the region round about, for the last two years: latterly, however, he has been in Digby, Bear River, and Weymouth—an entirely new field. A letter from him, received in June, informed me that he met with much opposition from the Baptists and others, but upon the whole, the prospects of ultimate success were promising. He is circulating the *Christian Banner* among them to some extent, and wrote me that many were highly pleased with it. Brother C. is a workman who needs not to be shamed, as he rightly divides the word of truth; but I fear he does not meet with the sympathies and aid of the brotherhood in those quarters in proportion to his self-denying efforts in the good cause.

Indeed I fear that there is not among our brethren a clear understanding of their individual responsibilities as disciples of Jesus our Lord. The tendency towards the "one man system" is still too strong, while the disposition to support those who labor in "the word and doctrine" is, in many places, far too weak. O when will the brethren learn that they are "kings and priests unto God!" When will they learn the importance of putting forth their own energies, and striving together with their Evangelists for the grace of God! How fearfully responsible is the position we occupy! And yet few of us realize it! The primitive disciples were not guilty of the apathy and the indifference of us modern professors. They were awake to a full sense of the duties and privileges of their high calling. The Phillipians wrought out their salvation with fear and trembling—holding forth the word of life. From the church in Thessalonica "the word of the Lord was sounded out, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place their faith toward God was spread abroad." The Corinthian converts were the Apostle's letter of commendation, known and read of all men. When shall this be said in truth of the Disciples in Nova Scotia and every where else! When shall our zeal, energy, and devotion come up to that of the saints of the apostolic age? Well has it been said that the reformation for which we plead is a reformation of the whole man, soul, body, and spirit. Is it generally so understood by our brethren? Then where is their bible reading—their faith in God—their efforts to spread the truth, and make known the Saviour's name among their fellow men? If we give full credit for all that is being done, there yet remains a fearful lack compared with the saints and faithful brethren of primitive days. Why this conformity to the spirit and customs of the world—this grounding our arms before we have well taken them up? My brother, I hope you will speak out on these momentous matters when you have opportunity. We all need an awakening call. Let the brethren know that *they are the Lord's*—that they "are bought with a price," and are called upon by the highest considerations to "glorify God in their