

Kidderminster was aroused; and in the lives of Whitefield, Payson, Edwards, Tennent, whole nights of prayer were succeeded by whole days of soul-winning. To your knees, then, ye Christians! Plead until the windows open, plead until the springs unlock, plead until the clouds part, plead until the rains descend, plead until the floods of blessing come.

Then to faithful preaching and holy living and earnest prayer there must be added personal effort to save souls. What would be thought of a man praying for a harvest of wheat, but neither ploughing nor sowing? Yet this is what many are doing in the Church. So far as personal effort to rescue the perishing is concerned, multitudes of church-members are doing nothing. They are barren trees in the vineyard, withered members of the Christian body, drones in the hive. The minister and a few earnest, consecrated men and women are left to do the whole work, while perhaps two-thirds of the members are fast asleep. Now all