

and wrought, and suffered and died, and submitted to the humiliation of the tomb, and ascended to be a high priest making intercession for us—so far withdrew from men that no new word was uttered, no new work wrought, but the complete Gospel was given to men to carry to their fellow-men, that they might believe on Christ and be saved, on this condition, that they must first believe in the disciples before they could believe in the message, and first in the message before they could believe on Jesus and be saved. How the Son of God could commit the truth to men, not only with this expectation that they should teach it to others, but that they should have such a spirit, such a character, such consecration, such devotion, such advancement in holiness, as that men could so believe in them as at last to believe in the Gospel and the Christ of the Gospel, was beyond conception mysterious, but so it was. The *Westminster Review* and others said, "How is it that you have been preaching the Gospel so long—for twenty years—and have made so few conversions?" "It takes time." "Why?" The men went with the Bible in their hands and said it was their commission and their message. They gave it to the people as soon as they could translate it, and said it was their message from God to them; but they must have the token of Almighty power to witness their message. That token was not the division of the sea or the river, but the mighty power of God's Spirit in enlightening, purifying, renewing, advancing towards perfectness the disciples themselves, and it took time to show all the relations of a sanctified life and to make an impression on the heathen world. The life of the missionary was more gospel than he could ever preach until he had lived among the heathen and in close and tender fellowship with them. That was the reason why their best sons and fairest daughters had gone to Africa to live holy lives and make graves which were the first footsteps of the Son of God in desolate places. What indicated the missionary now was Christ formed in them, the hope of glory. It was the living Christ reproduced in the living disciples that became at last the concrete Gospel, with the Holy Ghost in it and to be communicated by it. When they wanted an ingathering of souls, they prayed that the Holy Spirit might be poured on the people who were not enlightened. But Christ said, "Tarry ye here at Jerusalem until ye"—not the people—"be endowed with power from on high." The authentication of the Gospel was their saintly lives, and they must be so high above other men in the tone of their mind, in the aspiration of their heart, so spotlessly snowy white in the purity of every thought, feeling, and desire, so noble and grand, and large and all-embracing and all-holding in their limitless love, so beautiful in the cleanness of their nature, so gentle and sweet in all their domestic relations, so kind and tender and forgiving and loving in all their contact with man, that they should walk as Christ walked. He told the story of a little ignorant London boy who had heard a little of the character of Christ at a Sunday school, and pointed out to a comrade a gentleman who took care of the poor in one of the worst districts in London, as being "Jesus Christ." When they walked so that the poor and ignorant would make that mistake, they would ask no more proof of the authenticity of their call to teach, and the truth of the message they were invited to proclaim. After pointing out that the Scriptures enforced the duty of both faith and works, Dr. Duryea said that if he had not faith that the whole world would be converted to Christ he would have no faith in the salvation of his own soul. Why? Because God is committed to it, and if He fail in that He may fail in all the rest. Therefore, it was the business of Christians to urge on the work of evangelizing the world. They who with patriotic devotion would defend the woman who represents British rights and privileges, could understand what it is to have a zeal which burns like the flaming sun in the heavens for Him who having not seen they