

vineyard with the mother of destruction (so to speak), leaving the enjoyable way; digressing from that peaceful condition designed for man and belonging to salvation wherein God dwells. This indwelling principle of love leadeth man out of self: causing the creature to regulate his many propensities, by this leavening principle; enjoying the gifts of God in the way of His appointing. He personally receives and recognizes *the Sent*—"the Light that lighteth every man who cometh into the world." Therein the gospel is preached unto every creature, and unto them that hear, "more shall be given," growing in His favor. "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men," and the authenticity of the gospel positively demonstrated and recorded in man, for the uplifting of the race by the Recorder himself, who is the beginning and ending of the law, created by Himself, and witnesseth for us that it is the truth. Love, mercy, justice, all that is pure are the seeds sown by the divine mind to lead man unto Himself. Obedience is the fulfillment of the law, and the law protects all who are under its decree. No matter what stage of progress may be attained of higher or lower degrees—protection is administered by the one loving hand to each. Jesus particularly emphasized from whence he obtained this knowledge—that God was the beginning and ending of it. And in prayer he continually called upon and gave thanks unto Almighty goodness for His abundant provisions. He was fully sustained through obedience to God given requirements by innate reception, regulating his duties, and in no other way was he qualified to do the works of God, according to his own testimony, but by the power given, which was exclusive of God. "My Father is greater than I." Look to Him alone who provides His children with that bread coming alone from the Divine, transcending all physical gifts and endeavors. "Of myself," he declared, "I can do nothing." He

whom I serve is mouth, tongue and utterance in His own cause, and it must be the same in you if you would know the higher range of development wherein God dwells. In no instance did Jesus teach that he of himself created or taught the people without Divine direction. On the contrary, "My doctrine is not mine but His that sent me." His followers must accept the same mode of communication with God as he enjoyed, to know the doctrine and the qualifying power, opening the gospel to witness the truth as it was in Jesus, living practical Christianity. All are under the same limitation but different degrees, yet the same magnet attracts and guides all who feel the current flowing therefrom without which the human family could do nothing. They would be adrift without the anchor, which brother Jesus declared was his only safety, and to learn of him we too must enter the closet to find and obtain the anchor, which alone insures safety for us throughout the voyage of man's natural existence. None can accept Jesus' teachings unless the Father provideth evidence of the indwelling, and he become loyal to Him; then it is made plain and clear, realizing "I am in the Father, and ye in me, and I in you." All will be spiritually gathered in God's household. H. G. M.

A SNOWFLAKE'S SERMON.

I stood at a window and watched
The snowflakes flitting by;
As if the angels had dropped them,
Fair messengers from the sky.

And I said to one little snowflake,
That fell on my window-sill,
"Tell me what message you bring me,
Pray is it good or ill."

And it said: "My Heavenly Father
Hath sent me down from above,
To bring a letter of happiness
And hope and peace and love.

"And I strive to do my duty,
'Tis very small I know,
But still we all have duties
Whether large or small to do."

Toronto. *A Young Friend.*