

Yearly Meetings visited us. For many years our travels were alone in the wilderness, yet the Lord forsóok us not, unworthy as we were. His mercies are new every morning, and it has been said, that His mercy seat overshadows His judgment seat even to a hair's breadth.

It is "not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost, which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Yet this is no reason for unfaithfulness, but rather should it be an incentive to a renewed dedication of all that we have, and are, unto Him who hath done so much for us. Let us think of the agony of Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane, when "His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling to the ground."

During the reading of the Queries and Answers thereto, we were greatly humbled, under a deep sense of our unfaithfulness, and the need we have to watch continually, knowing always that without Divine help given us day by day, accompanied by earnest sincere prayer, we are not safe for one moment.

The unwearied adversary of our souls is ever ready to attack us in our weakest point, and, if possible, wound us, and then attempt to discourage by persuading us it is no use to try longer, for God has cast us off. Oh! the stratagems of the enemy of our souls are varied and artful but he was a liar from the beginning; and if we draw nigh to our Saviour, he "will with the temptation make a way to escape, that we may be able to bear it."

In conclusion, "we commend you to God and to the Word of His Grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

With the salutation of love, we remain your friends and brethren.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the meeting.

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