

Thy condescension, and may my one desire be to have my spirit indeed the worthy dwelling of Thy Spirit. Let them lift me up in holy trust and expectation, to look for and claim all that Thy promise means.

O my Father! I thank Thee that Thy Spirit doth dwell in me. I pray Thee, let His indwelling be in power, in the living fellowship with Thyself, in the growing experience of His renewing power, in the ever fresh anointing that witnesses to His Presence, and the indwelling of my Glorified Lord Jesus. May my daily walk be in the deep reverence of His Holy Presence within me, and the glad experience of all He works. Amen.

*1. Have we not here the cause why many have fal'ed in the effort to abide in Christ, to walk like Christ, to live as holy in Christ? They know not rightly the wonderful and perfectly sufficient provision God made to enable them to do so. They had not the clear believing assurance that the Holy Spirit would work it in them. Let us seek above everything to get firm hold of the promise, that God who has given us a new spirit, also gives His own Spirit within us.*

*2. The distinction is of the deepest importance. In the new spirit given to me, I have a work of God in me; in God's Spirit given, I have God Himself, a Living Person, to dwell with me. What a difference between having a home built by a rich friend, given me to live in, while I remain poor and feeble, or having the rich friend himself come to live with me, and fulfil my every want!*

*3. 'The Spirit is given both as a Builder and as an Inhabitant of this temple. We cannot dwell till He build; He builds that He may dwell.'—Howe.*

*4. There must be harmony between a home and its occupant. The more I know this Holy Guest, the more will I bow in lowly fear and reverence, giving my inmost being for Him to order and adorn as pleaseth Him.*

*5. The Holy Spirit is the Inmost Self of the Father and the Son. My spirit is my inmost Self. The Holy Spirit renews that inmost Self, and then dwells in it, and fills it. And so He becomes to me what He was to Jesus, the very life of my personality. Let me bow in holy silence and reverence, to say: O my Father! I thank Thee: Thy Holy Spirit dwelleth in me, in my very Self.*