

hints in many directions. For example :

1. The most potent agency in the conviction of sin is comparison of self with the perfect standard of God's law, and the perfect example of Jesus (Daniel x : 8).

2. Spiritual affinity is the key to final destiny. We shall go where by the eternal law of fitness we belong.

3. Heaven would be hell to a sinner, for holiness would repel him. Light would not be more blinding and torturing to a diseased eye than the glory of God to a sinful soul.

4. There can be no universal salvation from hell without universal salvation from sin.

The Unscriptural Tendency of Sectarianism.

1 Cor. i : 13.

CHRIST is undivided.

There is but one atoning blood and vicarious sacrifice.

But one name which is the authority in church matters.

Hence all *divisions* in the body of Christ are unwarranted.

All human names are to be avoided.

All things not ordained by divine authority are matters of individual choice and not binding.

Revival Service.

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me."—Acts 1 : 8 (margin).

HERE is, 1. The work of disciples : *witnessing*. This word, like wit and wisdom, is from the Saxon *witan*, to know, and it implies the great condition of all witnessing, viz. : knowing Christ. The only limit to testimony is the limit of experience. Hence the need of a close and holy fellowship with God in order to a deep experience and a rich testimony. The work of witnessing is so simple that not even a child is debarred from this privilege. It

was designed to be the prerogative of all believers, and therefore was so simple as to be within reach of all.

2. The power of Disciples is the power of the Holy Ghost. Words depend for force upon the spirit back of them. The power of the Holy Ghost is to be distinguished :

1. From mere intellectual power, reasoning, imagination, etc.

2. From mere emotional fervor and enthusiasm.

3. From mere convincing and persuasive speech.

It implies (a) Deep spiritual conviction and heart persuasion.

(b) Personal fellowship with God in holy living.

(c) An indescribable quality known as *unction*, which suggests anointing and therefore the fragrance that must be experienced to be appreciated. This power is not natural but supernatural. It enables the most stammering tongue to speak with a strange power. It impresses even adversaries of the truth, as it did the stoners of Stephen. It is the great *lost* gift of the church and the ministry. And all revivals will be incomplete until they bring back this lost gift to believers. This is the Divine secret of winning souls, and the nearest to a Divine inspiration.

(d) This power is to be kept distinct from the gift of salvation or even sanctification. It has to do with *service*, and is to be sought in prayer as a special endowment and endowment.

The Power of the Holy Ghost.

MAJOR WHITTLE, in a reading on this subject in England recently, gave us seven things on "How Paul received and retained this power." I give the references : (1) The body must be kept under.—1 Cor. ix : 27. (2) Willing to bear infirmities.—2 Cor. xii : 9, 10. (3) Willing to be anything for Christ's sake.—1 Cor. ii : 1, 2. (4) Not afraid of what people say.—1 Cor. iv : 3. (5) Love.—