

part of any to look for a personal revelation from the Holy Ghost concerning any individual case of sickness.

Need we say that in this we are not only not in accord, but there is an impassable gulf between us.

"Sometimes our mistakes will become more instructive to us, by showing us the places where we have erred, and save us from repeating the mistakes afterwards with more serious consequences."

We do not deem it needful to go into the mistake question here touched on, after an exhaustive manner; suffice it to say that those familiar with our experience and teaching will find very little common ground here.

"Sanctification is not the perfection of human character, but the impartation of the divine nature, and the union of the human soul with the person of Christ, the new Head of redeemed humanity."

This is a specimen of the modern peculiar *mysticism* which clings to all his writings, and becomes specially noticeable in his deliverances concerning divine healing. On the contrary, we believe that the great glory of the gift of the Holy Spirit is the perfection of human character, when there is witnessed absolute, reckless abandonment to Him as a personal guide and teacher.

"The more definite and thorough this act of surrender, then the more complete and permanent will be the result. It is true that, at the best, it will be an imperfect consecration, and will need His merits to make it acceptable."

Of course, the Antinomian waste basket must come in somewhere, when the work of the Spirit is limited in any direction, to provide for the inevitable sense of imperfection in the service which must be the outcome of such limitation.

"We must receive the Holy Ghost as an abiding guest into our flesh as well as our heart."

A mystical passage, having special bearing upon his views concerning sickness and healing.

"Let us cultivate this power, for this is what the struggling, hungry world wants."

A clear appeal to legalistic effort, and one which of itself would indicate the

hopeless divergence between his teaching and ours.

"In order to enjoy this power of God, we must use His own instrumentalities and weapons—His Holy Word, and a simple, pure and full gospel."

Here we have it again, an appeal to legalistic effort to secure Holy Ghost power, or rather, to be able to use it successfully. We believe that he who walks in the Spirit in the Pentecostal sense must always, and under all circumstances, have the identical power Jesus promised, and no cautionary recommendations are in place when speaking to those who profess to so walk. Indeed, the very act of giving them, as here seen, makes it impossible that the writer walks in the Spirit after our apprehension of that walk.

We find, too, that he has a leaning towards the teaching of successive baptisms. Of course, he makes prominent use of the only passage in the Bible which seems to sanction this, viz., the incident where it is mentioned of a section of the Church, after Pentecost, that "they were all filled with the Holy Ghost." But he manufactures another passage, or rather, alters one so as to make it fit into this creed—a proceeding which we were surprised beyond measure to find in what we have a right to presume is a carefully prepared book. The passage which reads "and renewing of the Holy Ghost, which He shed on us abundantly," he has so changed as to make it read "the *renewings* of the Holy Ghost, which He *sheds* on us abundantly." This is a complete change in the whole sense of the passage, and makes it, instead of teaching distinctly but one baptism, teach the very reverse. Nor has he the Revised Version to fall back upon for this radical change, for the only difference in the new version is the substitution of "*poured*" for "*shed*," making the whole passage, if anything, still more definite in its allusion to the one gift of the Holy Ghost specimened by the experiences on the day of Pentecost.

But if taking such liberties with the Scriptures be permitted, it would not be difficult to manufacture a multitude of arguments in favor of frequent baptisms.