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SOMETIME, SOMEWHERE.

Unanswered yet? the prayer your lips have
pleaded

In agony of heart these many years?

Does faith begin to fail? is hope departing,
And think you all in vain those falling
tears?

Say not, the Father hath not heard your
prayer;

You shall have your desire, sometime, some-
where.

Unanswered yet? though when you first pre-
sented

This one petition at the Father's throne,
It seemed you could not wait the time of
asking,

So urgent was your heart to make it
known;

Though years have passed since then, do not
despair;

The Lord will answer you, sometime, some-
where.

Unanswered yet? nay, do not say ungranted,

Perhaps your part is not yet wholly done;
The work began when first your prayer was
uttered,

And God will finish what He has begun.

If you will keep the incense burning there,
His glory you shall see, sometime, some-
where.

Unanswered yet? Faith cannot be unan-
swered,

Her feet were firmly planted on the Rock;
Amid the wildest storms she stands un-
daunted,

Nor quails before the loudest thunder
shock.

She knows Omnipotence has heard her prayer,
And cries, "It shall be done," sometime,
somewhere.

—Robert Browning.

IS ENTIRE CONSECRATION FULL
SALVATION?

We answer Yes and No, just as the
meaning of the expression varies in the
mind of the one using it.

A Christian may reach the point where
he consecrates himself fully to Christ
and His service, and may be conscious
that there is no reservation on his part
in this act or self-abandonment, yea he
may have the witness of the Spirit to
this attitude of the soul, as clearly as he
ever had to the pardon of sin, and yet
come short of walking in the light of
entire sanctification. Further, he may
assume that this is a state of full salva-
tion, that each moment he presents his
body a living sacrifice to God, and that
God accepts it, and profess this faith
publicly, and thus go on in his Christian
course for years; he may even be honest
and sincere with himself and before God
in this matter, and yet come short of the
experience embodied in the language of
the apostle, "The very God of peace
sanctify you wholly."

After close and extensive observations
we are led to believe that many devoutly
sincere Christians who class themselves
with professors of holiness, are mistaken
in this thing, and are in their thought
exalting their experience, rich as it un-
doubtedly may be, above what is scrip-
turally written of it.

Dear sanctified soul,—sanctified in that
you have set yourself apart to Christ's
service—let us examine our faith here
according to the apostolic injunction,
"Examine yourselves whether ye be in
the faith."

Do you feel within you a species of
resentment at being asked by another to