

promise is to us." *But how?* This is the question asked by thousands. Men who have received the gift are followed and scrutinised; books on the subject are eagerly read; and much thought and prayer are brought to bear upon that question, How shall the baptism be obtained? The promise is here, the blessing is nigh, how shall we realise it?

LET US PRAY!

Each for himself, in our closets, praying in faith, waiting in faith, as "they that watch for the morning." Yonder in heaven the Saviour lives. Have we forgotten His last words? Did not He promise to bestow this grace as He spread out His hands to bless His disciples? "Reader, from beneath those sacred hands, uplifted to bless us as well as them, those never-to-be-forgotten words, 'Go,' but 'Tarry,' come directly and personally to you and to me. Eternity is lost to us if we go not as bidden, and barrenness and spiritual blight will rest upon us if we tarry not as required. But the light of God shall attend us, and glory infinite shall encircle us at last if we do go forth as bidden on the one hand, and tarry as required on the other."\*

—*King's Highway.*

## HOLINESS A LIFE.

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**HOLINESS** a life! Not simply a blessing to be exulted in, talked about, lost and regained—a precious pearl; but an habitual, inward, and outward conformity of the soul to God. This practical view is suggested and demanded by the GREAT EXAMPLE, the holy commandments, and the career of the best of men.

We propose, therefore, to rise higher than delightful emotion and rapturous sentimentality can carry us. We want to approach the Divine ideal. We want to be like God. The more we think of him, the more we are impressed that the great question is not how we feel, but how we live. Living specimens of righteousness and true holiness are the mightiest arguments for the truth. When the angry council would have silenced Peter and John, the notable miracle wrought at the beautiful gate proved to them an awkward fact; "and beholding the man that was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it." We should not hear so much against holiness if all who speak of it as a present attainment were to live it out. The Church would fall in love with its beauty, and the world would confess its power.

Some have lost the *blessing* because they were not sufficiently mindful about the *life* of holiness. They were all for the experience, it was so pure and blissful, it was everything. It would have been better with them if they had bent all their energies to live for God, rejoicing in those sweet, hallowed experiences as He was pleased to give them. Others, avoiding this error, rush into another, thinking little of holiness as a blessing, and regarding it simply as a well-meant, heaven-directed effort. But THE KING'S HIGHWAY is broad enough without going to either extreme. Plain things must be said about practical godliness, but we strongly believe in being made *all right first*.

We cannot insist as some do on the distinction between sin in the heart and sin in the life; because our life includes everything within as well as everything without. The outside of a man is not his life. Outwardly he

\* Mahan's "Baptism of the Holy Ghost."