

this trying to fascinate the attention and draw a large audience to the Church, not thinking that the great end of preaching the Gospel is the salvation of souls, and one precious soul saved is worth a thousand sermons. But, is there danger of wrong preaching? I answer, yes. The man who fails to make salvation full and free is doing his neighbor wrong, for he is standing between the living and the dead, and he is also deceiving his neighbor. The people tell us there is danger of preaching too much on holiness; but I ask, How can a man or a woman talk too much of what their employment is to be to all eternity? If you were going to a strange country, would you not like to understand the language thoroughly, or would you prefer knowing only the alphabet? Dear brethren, we must learn the whole language of Canaan, for it is useless to be trying and striving to get to a perfect knowledge of ourselves, or the will of God concerning us, if we are not willing to be led by the Spirit, for it is the only infallible guide when applied to the heart and the conscience of the believer. But it is useless to preach personal sermons. If the man in the pulpit hears of the wrong doing of one of his members, he should not preach a particular sermon to that individual, for it cannot be right and it ought to be beneath him. "If thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink," is God's law. Then if an unruly member say strange things, go to him before you bring any evil report against him. Let one who has been tried, advise you men in the pulpit to be careful what you do in these matters. What did the sainted Wesley advise and do? Go to thy offending brother or sister and tell him or her their fault between thee and him alone, and if they dont hear take with thee a witness, and if they wont hear then, take it to the Church, and if they wont hear the Church, you ministers, who are ministers, what then? How often have I heard, that was a good sermon for such a one, but it ought to be out of the abundance of the heart, moved to speak as the Holy Ghost gave them utterance; but there is just as much danger in the pulpit as in the pew. I heard a woman of England once say of the Rev. Henry Wilkinson, that he was an angel of light. This astonished me; but he was a messenger