

There is great necessity for a careful cultivation of the social features of religion among us, that the happy, invigorating emotions associated with our less frequent gatherings—such as Camp Meetings and Conferences—should shed its happy light, and diffuse its holy love more extensively throughout our much loved Zion,—that the prayers rising from our family altars may grasp with stronger confidence covenant blessings, and our intercourse with the world made more holy and profitable,—that our dear associates in Christian pilgrimage may be gladdened under trial, and faithful friendship strengthen our resistance to moral evil and temptation.

How desirable it is that the consolations religion has afforded us, during the many trials of the past year, should lead us, to value the ordinary means of grace among us most highly, and to seek their aid most faithfully. Hail, dear brethren, the morning of the blessed Sabbath and the sacred shade of the sanctuary; gather in strong numbers, in prompt time, with heaven-raised desires, to listen to the precious word of life, refreshing the weary and encouraging the faithful. Let the progress of holiness be maintained among us, by regular class attendance, prayer meetings, revivals, rigid personal examination, diligent Bible reading, and earnest secret devotion. The gospel makes provision for holiness in the atonement of Jesus; the Holy Ghost can perfect it in every believer; the law of God requires it, to secure an abundant entrance into heaven. This is the sacred requirement of the pulpit, and the greatest ornament of the pew.

The very serious deficiencies the Ministers have sustained during the past year in their Circuits and Missions, will, we are sure, be very patiently considered by our dear brethren. Be not lax in contributing of your carnal things to those who serve you affectionately in spiritual things. Let not the hire of the labourer, kept from him through negligence, cry against you in the great day of reckoning, who are able to supply their needs.

We affectionately recommend to you the literature of our Church, which occupies a very respectable position; welcome the "Christian Journal" in its ministrations of good, and encourage its circulation among your friends and business acquaintances. Our Magazines furnish profitable pages upon various subjects of interest; and our

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