

communion with the Son of God is a *testimony*. (See verses 9, 10, 11.) Much people of the Jews came not only to see Jesus, but Lazarus also whom He had raised from the dead, and many of them went away and believed on Jesus, from just seeing the man with a new life, sitting, feeding with Jesus. This draws out the jealousy and opposition of the chief priests, who consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death, because that, by reason of him, many went away and believed on Jesus.

How blessed to know that if we are only going on in communion with the Lord, people will be attracted by it, and some of them will go away and believe on Jesus, too, through God's grace using those who have a new life and liberty from the Son of God, and are in communion with Him. And it is not here direct service, such as preaching and talking to people, (at least we do not know that Lazarus preached to anybody), blessed as that is, but the new life being manifested and so seen in the ways, manners, business, everything, that others are led to think of, and to believe in Jesus too. This draws down religious opposition and the religious leaders try and kill the testimony.

A WORD ON GOING FORTH AS A LABOURER AND DROPPING OTHER WORK.

. . . . I suppose as to the principle that we are clear on one point, namely, that we are bought with a price, and are not our own—servants, blessed