

2nd. *Soul satisfaction.* It is universally true, that it is more blessed to give than to receive. There is a felt satisfaction at the consciousness of duty performed, whilst there is a corresponding misanthropy felt by those who evade God's tribute money; and there is not only an individual satisfaction, but also the enjoyment of doing good and the reciprocity of feeling which generosity always evokes. Wherever we have given, there will be a return of benefits conferred; wherever we have blessed others, we shall be blessed also; wherever we have rayed out joy and sunshine, a reflected sunbeam will rest upon us; wherever we have made the desert to rejoice or the barren waste fruitful or the thirsty land pools of water, we shall reap a glorious return. If we have fed the hungry or clothed the naked or delivered the poor and needy when he crieth, the blessing of him that was ready to perish will come upon us. There is a subdued and hallowed pleasure in helping and blessing men, and in furthering the cause of God and the objects of Christian benevolence throughout the world.

3rd. *There will be eternal fruit in the world to come.* How vast and varied and full the fruit will be in the gathering times of Heaven! How abundant the harvest will be in that grand harvest-home, we cannot say; but we are assured that not a cup of cold water shall lose its reward. Oh, what sublime reminiscences will those of the man who nobly and generously used his stewardship for the Divine glory! Rich visions of rescued souls, of reared churches, of ministerial helpings, of timely deliverances! A widow's heart gladdened, an orphan clothed and comforted, a school sustained, a missionary assisted, Bibles circulated, tracts scattered broadcast, nations enlightened, despotisms dethroned, iniquities brought to a perpetual end, perishing ones plucked as a brand from the burning, fainting ones cheered on their way, beggars made to sit at the bridal banquet, polluted ones made whiter than snow, the street Arab made a king and priest to God forever;—all, all will mount up to swell the soul with rapture and fill eternity with gladness. Then the privilege of adding one jewel to the Saviour's crown, of winning the poorest soul on earth, will enhance and enlarge the joys of Heaven; for, while every saint shall have one heaven, some shall have more. Those who have helped to fill its mansions shall possess many heavens in one, and in