

our ambition, our passion, as it was Paul's. Begin with our children and our friends. Continue in our business that we may have the more to give. Take it up as work, not as play.

Let the resolution of our missionary boards be to have hundreds of missionary evangelists with simple work, requiring few, though noble qualifications—love, insight, faith. And let *our* resolution be to give, not single dollars, but fives, tens, hundreds, and thousands—sums we think we *can* *it? spare*; and let *all* give. And *soon*—the Lord hasten it!—"His way will be known on earth, and His saving health among all nations."

And yet it is not so much men we need, or money! Not so much demonstrations of the sufficiency of our wealth and numbers. What we most need in order to use the wealth we have and to send the men is a heart of warmer love—still greater tenderness and simplicity, more faith and more prayer; in short, the Holy Spirit in us and with us. All I have here written on the power of preaching takes as granted that it is not we who speak, but God who speaks by us. The consciousness, the temper, and the reality of a Divine presence—is not this the great need of us all?

Yet is it less accessible than the men or the money? Nay, it is more accessible than either, and the only thing needed for the acquiring of both. If God give us the Spirit—and can we doubt His willingness—nothing else essential will be withheld.

STATISTICAL FACTS.

I. NUMBERS.

BAPTISTS.	Ministers and Missionaries.	Members or Communicants.
British Empire, Colonies, and Missions.....	2,853	505,090
America and Foreign States..	25,005	3,281,500
Total (a).....	27,858	3,786,590
CONGREGATIONALISTS.	Ministers and Missionaries.	Members or Communicants.
Great Britain (b).....	2,722	360,000
America (c).....	4,640	492,000
Total	7,362	852,000
EPISCOPALIAN CHURCH.	Benefices.	Sittings.
England (d)	14,250	6,250,000
Ireland.....	1,210	602,300
America.....	4,163 (Members)	1,650,000
Total	19,623	7,502,300

(a) "Baptist Handbook," 1892. "The Congregational Handbook" (Boston) for 1891 gives American Baptists as a million more.

(b) "Whitaker's Almanac," 1892. A very inadequate view of the influence and working power of the body.

(c) "The Congregationalist Handbook" (Boston) for 1891.

(d) This seems the simplest way of giving an idea of the strength of the Established Church. The ministers are much more numerous than the benefices, and the nominal members than the sittings. See "Whitaker's Almanac," p. 236.