

to his voice. He speaks and often warns simultaneously with, yea even before the temptation touches us sometimes.

At a two weeks service held in the Presbyterian Church at F—— a young minister came to assist, (there was great unity among the different Christian bodies there so it came to pass that many of our people attended) he put this test, "All who are not satisfied, stand up" Being seated at the front I could not tell how many rose, I kept my seat for I consciously realized that I was a child of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, and had consecrated myself entirely to the Lord and had the assurance that the offering was accepted of him, and that the one absorbing desire of my heart was to please him in all things. How could I be dissatisfied. But I think the people did not respond as freely as he wished, so coming forward he said I am not satisfied, then the elder minister arose. It immediately occurred to me they must mean satisfied in some other sense, for as the finite can never grasp the Infinite so we may go on drinking in more of God daily as our spiritual powers expand.

I pondered over the word satisfied and my thoughts ran thus. A child at school (and that is where we are in this life) learns its lessons at home for the next day, and when he has succeeded in mastering them he feels satisfied, he repeats them at school and the teacher is satisfied too.

But there is more ahead, even so our heavenly Father gives us daily lessons and never gives us anything impracticable, he is too good and wise for that, but with every command will give all needful grace and strength, and then as Enoch walked with God, and before his translation had the witness that he pleased God even so may we, will not that give satisfaction though there is much more ahead both to receive and to learn.

The minister said he wanted to be filled with joy unspeakable, the thought came to me, What is unspeakable, cannot be described; it must be experienced.

It is not necessarily exuberant or ecstatic, it is as indescribable in its quietness, lying down deep in the heart enabling us to ENDURE when the blasts of persecution or the sorest of earthly troubles pass over us, for the joy of the Lord is our strength, even so Jesus, Who for the joy that was set before him ENDURED the cross, despised the shame and is now set down on the right hand of God.

Feeling, many stumble at the outset about feeling. I thank my God that before I was converted no one ever told me anything about feeling consequently I entered the fold without quibbling. simply taking God at His word and accepting the offered pardon through the blood of Christ, then peace like a tiny stream began to steal into my heart and joy soon followed abundantly, there was no lack of feeling then. Hid from the wise and prudent but revealed unto babes.

TITHES.

The painful fact that so many of our churches are in debt and difficulty leads us to ask How is it and Why is it? There are various reasons, but one reason certainly is the neglect of the tithe system by the people of God, for it was of His own people that the Lord required this, and Christians claim to be the children of Abraham, that is children of FAITH or the