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WHAT is vital, experimental religion? Jesus Christ speaks many words of wisdom and truth, and not a few that seem to appeal to the very depths of experience—to the inmost condition of every human heart. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Laboring, heavy laden, are all men; heavy-laden, not only with cares and anxieties and sorrows, but with the burden of sin, and with the burden, too, of a conscious and infinite need. And rest for man!—is there such a thing? Rest for the laboring and struggling spirit in his bosom—*may it come here?* Oh! dreaming fancy of rest in the bowers of heaven or on the bosom of a cloud—rest may be there; but can it be any where else? Can it be *here?* And the solemn teacher says, "it is; come unto me, and I will give it to you." And again, he says, "he that drinks of this water shall thirst again, but he that drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst." Thirst!—how significant that word! How many a heart— I am speaking of no fine