

Spirit ; and after more of conformity to His holy law and image both in heart and life.

The most efficient support which members of the Church can give to her advancement is by their own personal religion. This is literally manifesting the tree by its fruit, and is an epistle of Christ to be read of all men. If, therefore, you truly desire the prosperity of the Church, labour, and strive, and pray, that you may imbibe the spirit of her doctrines, and that you may manifest the purity of her discipline.

We would urge you to a full surrender of yourselves to Christ, and we would none the less urge it upon ourselves "that we may be filled with the fullness of God." Mr. Wesley speaking of the grand doctrine of christian perfection says: "It is the grand depositum which God has given to the people called Methodists and chiefly to propagate this it appears God raised them up; their mission was to spread holiness over the land." This is the mission of Methodism in this land; and inasmuch as every member, every leader, every Sabbath school teacher, and every minister, seeks, and obtains the possession and enjoyment of the blessing of "perfect love" will true revival times be experienced and Zion flourish. "Christ also loved the Church and gave himself for it; that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word; that He might present it to Himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

We would also urge upon you the paramount importance of Family Religion. The influences of the Family Altar are in many instances among the most precious associations of youth and childhood; and many a servant entering a godly home has received deep and lasting impressions in the sacred ordinance of domestic worship. "The promise is unto you and to your children"—dedicate them to the Lord in baptism, and lead them to Him daily at the Throne of Grace. Take care, that you are remembered when your day of opportunity has ended, as persons, who like Abraham of old, commanded their households after them that they keep the charge of the Lord.

Never neglect private prayer. Have some spot consecrated to the worship of God. Have set times for it, with which nothing must be allowed to interfere. You can do nothing well, without God's blessing, and you cannot expect His blessing without asking for it. Everything will go wrong when you begin the day without prayer: and if you come to neglect it altogether, soon your feet will be caught in the "snare of the fowler." As ministers it has been our custom in Conference, to pledge ourselves, to each other in prayer, at noon on every Friday, and to this fellowship, we cordially invite you, that the Lord of Hosts may "make His face to shine upon us," and that through us "His saving health may be known to all nations."

Prize highly the social means of grace, such as the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. "This do," said Christ, "in remembrance of me." Never be absent unless extreme necessity compel, for it is in remembrance of Him who died to save you. See that the public prayer meeting gives you an opportunity in some way of declaring your allegiance to Christ, at

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