

REMARKABLE INCIDENT

"Now, pastor, that holiness preacher last night proved that we could be free from the carnal mind and the Lord could keep us in perfect peace. So I want all the Lord has for me."

The pastor was getting a little uneasy so he decided to try flattery. Just like the enemy of souls; if he can't get you any other way he will flatter you almost to death.

So he said: "Now, Brother A., I never saw a family that I loved as I do you and your family. You are the backbone of the church, and the whole church looks to you for counsel, and they all say we could not get along without Brother A. and family. Now, Brother A., listen to me. God bless you, I want to help you to be a greater man than you have been, and you will make no mistake in taking my advice. You turn that team back in the lot and stay away from that holiness meeting. If you will stay away awhile you will get to the place where you will not want to go. The idea of our getting so good we won't get mad is ridiculous. We never will get to the place where we won't get mad. That preacher is preaching a false doctrine and he knows it."

The mother's heart sank within her and Walter dropped his head and left the room with a heavy, breaking heart. He went to the barn and climbed up in the loft and prayed that God would let them go to meeting. In a short time he was sent for. The pastor was going to pray with them and leave.

THE PASTOR'S PRAYER

"O Lord, our heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the sunlight of another day, and for food, health and raiment. We thank Thee for the church, and for such men as Brother A. to stand by the church and help carry on the work. We thank Thee for education that we may learn that we are

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but poor, weak worms of the dust, and by studying Thy Word we learn that we will have to sin as long as we live. But we thank Thee that when we sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And now, Holy Father, this family is about to be led off with this new fangled doctrine, and I pray Thee help them to see their mistake and stay with their church and be a blessing to the world. Now, Father, forgive our many sins and help us to be true to our church and help us to see foolishness of seeking a second blessing. Help us to see that sanctification and regeneration are one and the same thing. All this we ask in Jesus name. Amen!"

Brother A. listened to the prayer, but did not amen much. When the prayer was over Brother A. asked the pastor why he believed that we were sanctified and justified at the same time. The evangelist proved that all the standards of all the churches teach that the carnal mind remains in the heart of the believer and the Bible teaches plainly that we must be sanctified before we can get the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

"Well, said the pastor, 'I am not much on this Holy Ghost baptism in this age. You see, we have education and knowledge that the apostles didn't have. So they had to have this extra blessing to do the work that was to be done at that time. Don't you ever get it into your head that we will be as good as the apostles.'"

"Well," said Brother A., "the Bible says that it is for all even to the uttermost parts of the earth."

That made the pastor's face turn red, and he began to slash the holiness folks.

He said: "I know a fellow over in an adjoining county that got the second blessing and he got so good he couldn't stay in the church. So he pulled out of the church and ran off with another man's wife." "Now," continued the