

didst receive it, why dost thou glory as if thou hadst not receive it?" We have received various talents from our ancestors. We have had various opportunities of training. We have received the wonderful grace of God and all of these are His marvellous gifts. What use we made of them the Lord will judge when we appear before the judgment seat of Christ. But we have nothing for which to have price or to boast.

c. We should not mourn because we are not yet perfect, but should press forward. We are all, if we are true believers in Christ, in this ^{pilgrimage} ~~pilgrim~~ journey. as the Israelites were in the book of Num. and it is our duty to press forward to obtain ^{attain} the goal that He has set for us. How easy it is for Christians when they fall, when they fail, when they find they have not made the progress that they should, to mourn, perhaps to fear they are not actually saved. Look to the Word of God. Make sure that we truly know Christ as Saviour, but having done that go forward and praise God for the opportunities he gives us, and do not mourn over past failures. When we make present failures, resolve to do our utmost not to repeat them, but do not mourn over them. Put them under the blood and go forward.

d. We should have compassion on those who have not yet been delivered from Egypt. Those who are going on in sin who are headed for eternal suffering. They are not enemies ^{whom} we should hate, they are people who we should have compassion on, and we should pray God to help us reach them with the Gospel. We don't know who God has elected. You may speak to someone every week for years about his soul and he may turn to you and revile you and you may seem to make no headway at all. But then in the end he may accept J. C. and be born again and become a true Christian. This may happen. You don't know. You don't know what the will of the Spirit ~~is~~ is. You may find it utterly impossible ~~it is impossible~~ to reach him, or you may reach him at your very first effort but God knows those who are His own and He has appointed us, his instruments. We are not here to explain the mysteries of the universe. We do what we can of that of course. But we are here to present the Word of God and to be His instruments as the H. S. draws to Christ those whom it is His will to save. Therefore we should have compassion on those