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estimate upon men to reverence the pure and the good without regard to wealth or station They will not hesitate to condem sin despite the false honors with which they may be crowned. We are living in the last days dangers 'are thickening around us It is easy in the world to live after the worlds opinions. There are prejudices and wrongs in societ which no Christian can sanction or countenance. But those who profess present truth are not all what they profess They are ministers who are blind leaders of the blind They are constantly seeking to meet the demands of the world you must say they conform to certain fashionable usages Come out from among them and be ye separate sayth the Lord touch not the unclean, and I will receive you. Our ministers are being deceived they are not all representatives of Christ They are so chilled with their own backslidings to changed by worldy maxims that self is most prominent conscience is an inconvienent affair and they break over its admonitions. Bro Corliss I entreat of you to walk humbly be willing to be servant of all. Become patient meek pure and simple as a child put away everything like pomposity and self exaltation Oh [??] this ambition is corrupting our ministers Christ is lost sight of self is magnified. As a people the knowledge of our true condition is hid

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but in works deny him We reckon ourselves as his own peculiar people and yet his presence and his power to save to the ut most are seldom manifest among us How great is our darkness and we knew it not. The light shines in the word of God and in the testimonies but we do not comprehend it. Our works do not correspond with our faith. our doings are directly adverse to the principles of truth and righteousness The church is not separate from the world but many practice her abominations and yet sit in heavenly places and content for and have pleasure in unrighteousness pride coveteousness love of the world also can live in her midst without fear of banishment or condemnation There are sins of a grevous charicter existing in our midst but we are not alarmed or convicted The general cry is the church are 15 flourishing peace and spiritual prosperity is in her borders She is not afflicted and astonished because her charicter and influence is what it is. I see enough to humble my soul daily before God and to seek to cling more closely than ever to my simplicity That none of the deception delusions of these last days shall corrupt my testimony May the Lord make my face to charicter to reflect the charicter of Christ and may I be enabled to stand against the incersing tide of unbelief and more darkness. Our delusion is strong indeed when we mistake the form of godliness for the spirit and power there off. Where are the ministers who in trumpet times are waring the people to flee from the wrath to come who are showing my people their transgressions and the house of Israel their sins where is the deep heart searching where is the heart brokenness before God where do we hear the warnings The reprofs of sin the deep earnest exhortation to purity and holiness where do we hear the agonizing cries before God the wrestling prayer This is to old fashioned to come in our midst there are few genuine conversions few deep religious experiences May the Lord let the plowshare of truth break up the fallow ground of our hearts and lead us that we may fall upon the rock and be broken lest it fall upon us and grind us to powder Love to your wife and little ones