not do that which is wrong; I will not
grieve the Spirit of God; I will not de-
viate from the path that my Father has
marked out for me; but I will walk in it."
Can we do this without the light of the
Spirit? No; we cannot see where the path
upon which we have entered will lead to;
we cannot tell what the results will be;
but when the light of the Spirit of God il-
luminates our minds and we are enlight-
ened by it, we plainly see the results; and
if we do not see them at the time, the
Lord soon reveals them to us, and shows
us that if we continue to take that course
we will grieve his Spirit and fall victims
to the adversary.

As I said in the beginning of my re-
marks, there is wealth in the Gospel
of Jesus Christ of which we have little
knowledge today. There is an eternity
of truth and knowledge, principle after
principle, law after law, until every qual-
ity of our nature, of that Godlike nature
which we have inherited from our Father
and God, shall be fully developed; un-
til we shall be made capable of associ-
ating with God and angels through eter-
nity. The Gospel that has been revealed
unto us contains the principles that will
bring this about. As we progress in it
we will receive additional knowledge, ad-
ditional light and intelligence, and our
souls will be more and more satisfied. I
rejoice exceedingly in this, I thank my
God for it, because my soul is satisfied
in this Gospel, and I know it would not
have been anywhere else. I know there
is every good thing for us if we will live
the religion of the Lord Jesus.

There is this difference between
God and Satan in the treatment of
mankind. Satan is perfectly reckless
as to what the consequences may be
of anything he may give to the chil-
dren of men. He will heap tempta-
tion upon temptation before them,
give them honor, riches, and position,
and, if necessary, he will give them rev-
olution. What for? To damn them. He
does not care anything as to what may
become of them; but he offers them all he
can control without judgment or discrim-
ination. God does not do so. What is the
course God has taken with us from the
beginning to the present time? Is there
a parent in the congregation who has
watched as carefully over his children as
God has over us? Is there a parent in
the congregation who has withheld im-
proper blessings as carefully from them
as God has from us? He has watched
over us tenderly and kindly, giving us
a blessing here and a blessing there, a
revelation here and a revelation there,
a precept here and a precept there, as
we could bear them, developing our ex-
perience, and knowledge, and our wis-
dom, leading us gently and safely in the
path that will bring us into his presence.
This is the difference between God and
Satan; but I can only give you a little
idea of it. Our Heavenly Father is a lov-
ing and a kind and beneficent Parent.
He, himself, has trod the path we are
now treading. He is familiar with every
step of the road, with all the meander-
ings of this life; for he has had the ex-
perience in it. He knows how to guide
us and how to time his blessings to our
wants; and when you feel impatient and
dissatisfied because he does not give you
more than you now have, and when you
are afflicted and bowed down in sorrow
and pain, let the reflection enter into
your hearts to comfort you, that our Fa-
thor and God, our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ, trod the path we are now tread-
ing, that there is no affliction and sor-
row that we are acquainted with, or can
be, that the Lord has not already had an
experience in; and he knows our condi-
tion, he knows what is good for us. If we