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HOW THEY ENTERED CANAAN

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ARVID GRADIN

(One of the Moravian Brethren)

In 1738 John Wesley visited the Moravian colony in Germany. While there at Hernhutt he recorded the following testimony of Arvid Gradin, A Swede, who had entered in the the experience of full assurance of faith:

"I had from our Lord what I asked of him, the "plerophoria pistoos" (written in Greek), the fullness of faith, which is repose in the blood of Christ: a firm confidence in God and persuasion of His favour, with a deliverance from every fleshly desire, and a cessation of all, even inward sins. In a word, my heart, which before was agitated like a trouble sea, was in perfect quietness like the sea when it is serene and calm."

"This," said Wesley, "was the first account I ever heard from any living man, of what I had before learned myself from the oracles of God, and had been praying for, with the little company of my friends, and expecting for several years."

Source: "The Life of Wesley and the Rise and Progress of Methodism" by Robert Southey

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