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BRAINERD TAYLOR

Brainerd Taylor was converted at fifteen. Six years afterwards he had a remarkable experience. He says: "The 23d of April, 1882, I was on a visit to Haddain, Coun. Memorable day! The time and place will never be forgotten. For a long time my desire had been that the Lord would visit me, and fill me with the Holy Spirit -- my cry was, 'Seal my soul forever thine.' I lifted my heart in prayer that the blessing might descend. I needed something I did not possess. There was a void within which must be filled. My earnest desire was that all love of the world might be destroyed, all selfishness extirpated, pride banished, unbelief removed, all idols dethroned, everything hostile to holiness and opposed to the divine will crucified; that holiness to the Lord might be engraved on my heart, and evermore characterize my conversation. At this juncture I was most delightfully conscious of giving up all to God. I was enabled in my heart to say, 'Here, Lord, take me, take my whole soul, and seal me Thine, Thine n ow and Thine forever. If Thou wilt Thou canst make me clean.' Then there ensued such emotions as I never before experienced. All was calm and tranquil and a haven of love pervaded my whole soul. I had a witness of God's love to me and of mine to Him. Shortly after I was dissolved in tears of love and gratitude to our blessed Lord. The name of Jesus was precious to me; He came as King, and took full possession of my heart; and I was enabled to say, 'I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.' "

Source: "Joy and Rejoicing"
by Abbie C. Morrow & C. W. McCrossan

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