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HOW THEY ENTERED CANAAN
(A Collection of Holiness Experience Accounts)
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JOSEPH GRAY

Here is another book of sermons without an apology. For it is not only a book of sermons; it is my song of faith and saga of adventure. On January 29, 1914, as a boy in my teens, I gave my heart to the Lord Jesus Christ. On March 28 of that same year I was sanctified wholly. Just a month later, on April 25, God called me to preach. I floundered around a little the first year or two getting my feet down, especially in relation to my special calling. But on January 1, 1916, I made my consecration afresh and anew. A month before, I had prayed back to God under the platform of a hay-baler as I poked the tying wires back through the hay-press.

Now over thirty-five years later I can record that it has been a time of practically unbroken fellowship with the constant, indwelling presence of the blessed Holy Spirit in my heart. I have preached the blessed gospel message about six thousand times as a pastor and an evangelist, and now in my mature manhood I look forward with eager anticipation to many more years of proclaiming the spoken word, while I seek to multiply my message by way of the printed page.

These messages have been used again and again by the Holy Spirit to convict men and women of their need of holiness and lead them into the glorious experience of entire sanctification. If they lead even one more soul into the light of full salvation in their present form, I shall feel well repaid for the work involved in presenting them in this manner.

In His glad service, Joseph Gray

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