Stop talking about it and do it!

"All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children. In righteousness you shall be established" (Isaiah 54:13, 14).

The idea that we can hold the truth away off and look at it as a theory, and put our own construction on it and our own interpretation into it, and then go about of ourselves to do what we believe--this is not faith.

Here is faith: "Where there is not only a belief in God's word, but a submission of the will to Him; where the heart is yielded to Him, the affections fixed upon Him."

Now these are weighty expressions, worth considering. The "submission of the will to Him." Is it done? Is your will submitted to Him, never to be taken back, or exercised in your own way, or for yourself?

"Well," says one, "I have been trying to submit my will to Him." Well, stop your trying, and submit your will to Him. Be done with it and know it. You can know whether that is done. How? By telling the Lord it is done, and it is so.

If one does not know it, that is the strongest possible evidence that it is not done. And when it is done, ah, he knows it. When it is done he knows what he never knew before in his life. The "natural man" cannot receive it, he cannot understand it.

"They shall all be taught by God" (John 6:45). One can tell another what he knows is a fact. But no one can give it to another, so that my brother can get it from me. I can tell him it is a fact, and that he can know it, but he must learn it from God, simply by yielding to God. That is the only way anyone can do it or know it. [1]

Note:

1. General Conference Bulletin, p. 299.