

## THURSDAY'S IMPRESSIONS

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You can argue with a man's theology. You can debate his doctrine. But you cannot deny his experience. The strength of this National Convention has been in the testimonies.

- A wealthy citrusman who testified of a grandchild on her knees - and saying it was worth his entire estate.

- A young Korean telling of invoking the name of Jesus and seeing his would-be murderer drop his axe and fall to the floor.

- One of America's most distinguished pastors saying: "I preached for 52 years before I met the Lord Jesus."

- By a Hebrew-Christian telling of his Messiah in Jesus Christ...

Yet only part of the testimonies come from the platform. Behind me stands a Negro woman from Indiana with her arm around a white woman from Georgia. To one side stands a beautiful young girl, her arms raised, with upturned hands, eyes closed and face shining with a heavenly light. In the back is an old man, bent and feeble, with one arm extended and tears flowing down his wrinkled cheeks singing, "When we've been there ten-thousand years." A business man from North Carolina gets on the elevator and says "Praise the Lord, everybody" and a young farmer from Indiana grips my hand and says "Isn't God good."

The speaker says "We're not building walls, we're tearing down fences." And I say: *AMEN!!*