The Spirit-Filled Life

and then through him overflow in rich blessing into other lives. Christ's offer to the Samaritan woman was a gift which would change her source of supplies from a water-pot to a well, and then convert her life into a channel through which rivers of Living Water should flow.

The Holy Spirit—Christ's Gift to the Believer

What the gift was we are told explicitly.

"But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believed on him were to receive: for the Spirit was not yet given; because Jesus was not yet glorified" (John 7:39, R.V.).

Please note that in this verse Jesus tells us three things:

- (1) What the gift was-"The Spirit."
- (2) To whom given—"They that believed on him."
- (3) When bestowed—"When Jesus was glorified."

His work as Sin-bearer must be accomplished first: then as the glorified Lord He would bestow this wondrous gift.

Further light was thrown upon the nature of the gift in Christ's last conversation with the disciples before His exodus. He told them that He was to live in them as an abiding spir-