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Town of Buffalo 18th 1865.

Dear Daniel I received yours of the 3^d Inst we were thinking you were long of writing but we were glad to hear you were both well in body. I should like to give you a good advice but it is God only that can by his Spirit through the attonement of Jesus Christ. accompanying my prayer and advice that can make it profitable unto you, for you know by the three first Chapters of Romans what man is of himself and what he may be by grace ^{Rom 1:28-32} Thom 3. Now your earthly fathers advice is that you take your heavenly Fathers ^{John 3:23} advice and seek first the Kingdom of heaven and his righteousness and all other things shall be added. I should like better to hear you saying to me that doing the will of your heavenly father ⁱⁿ on earth ~~was~~ as it is done in heaven by Angels was your element exactly instead of saying to put new Idias of your own into form would your element exactly. What a difference of Mans ideas when God by his Spirit lets light into his mind by faiths regenerating grace. My son may God for Christ's sake incline you to ask for light of him and you will understand the Scriptures when you read them. And he will change your Idias wonderfully, would you be perfectly ready to meet your god were you as quickly & unexpectedly cut off from this world by death as President Lincoln was. If you do not live in Christ you cannot die Christ my son your Mother & I are daily praying for all our children meet us my children at 2 P. clock ^{open} for us ^{also}

We are much revived in our little Church and we are all praying for each other. daily read the Psalms. prayerfully read the Bible. Much we cannot be benefited by it if we do not know it. And having food & raiment let us therewith be content, mind not high things but condescend to men of low estates do not seek the honour that comes of man but that which comes of god.

There is nothing in the world but vanity and vexation of spirit and the love of money is root of all evil which some have coveted & have thereby pierced themselves through with many sorrows. Try to mix with good company as much as possible & keep out of bad things. Keep Faith & a good conscience for Christ hath died for us leaving us a good example that we should follow his steps. Keep all his commandments give up all rash judging evil speaking, back biting whispering and do to others as you would like them to do unto you. Trust not to anything you can do or have done for salvation but only to what Christ hath done & to what he has promised to do in you by his Spirit in subduing all your corruptions keep always humbling views of your self & set all your goodness in Christ black with sin in your self but white by Christ imputed righteousness in him, let him work all your works in you by his Spirit's power and then your works will be well for there is imperfection in our own wisdom. Iniquitous.

Sanctification see but all perfection in Christ. I think if you had Christ and a good farm to make your bread upon you would be supplied the best. I will either have to sell my farm or let it. There is nothing done on it now receive all our loves & write soon if all well. Love to John. Daniel Smith.