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## Riverside Camp Meeting

Will Be Held as Usual at

### Robinson's, Maine, August 15 to 24, incl.

Rev. Leslie Mann of the Nazarene Church Will be Our Special Evangelist

This camp-ground is about 24 miles above Houlton on the B. & A. Railroad, and the main paved highway running north from Bangor and Houlton passes near the grounds. This is an old established camp-meeting which has been held there for many years, for the promotion of scriptural holiness, without any side issues. We procure the best evangelists that we can get from year to year to bring to us the messages of full salvation. Thousands of souls have been converted and sanctified at these altars, and we expect this year to be no exception.

This camp-meeting is under the auspices of the Reformed Baptist Church and is interdenominational in spirit. Many beside our own members take part and help us in these meetings which we appreciate very much. The music and singing are of a high order and a means of inspiration and blessing.

This camp-ground is situated in the centre of a great potato growing country, where a very fine class of industrious people live, who attend these meetings and get much help and blessing from year to year. Let all come who can, and let all pray that Riverside meeting may be a great time of refreshing and salvation again this year from the presence of the Lord.

#### PASTORAL CALLING

By Rev. Alfred S. Hill

Efficiency as a pastor is not incompatible with sermonic efficiency. Pastoral work is a thing to be learned by practice. Books will not help much, but a burning love for Christ and sympathetic attitude toward mankind will make one successful. Our pulpits are vitalized by our contact with living people. No minister should be expected to take the census every Sabbath. A person may be absent for any one of a dozen causes. Our people should be advised repeatedly to advise us of everything in their homes that we ought to know.

Men are reached and influenced mostly through the affections. Therefore many who have not the ability to become great preachers can be effective pastors. By sympathetic ministrations a pastor will weave cords around the hearts of His people that will withstand severe trial. In visiting with and talking to a person face to face, we can preach sermons (as Jesus did, etc.) to individuals which they cannot dodge or fall asleep under. Wos be to us if we fail to go after the sheep; fail in compelling them to come into the fold.

The chief asset of any Christian minister is heart power. This is the power which Christ has over us, and is obtained by our personal, sympathetic ministrations to our congregations. Popularity is power, and there is such a thing as a laudable desire for it, that we might use it for God. Any desire for applause is too contemptible to require a rebuke.

We should be systematic (Methodistic. in our calling. Spend part of every day, as a rule, in calling. Every member of our flock should receive a call from the pastor at least once in a set interval. Extra emergencies will demand

an extra call promptly. In cases of difficulty or disaffection, a prompt, frank call may prevent serious consequences. Nathan was most successful in dealing honestly with a very prominent transgressor. Let us not neglect the disagreeable.

The more we interest ourselves in our people and their activities and interests, the more they will be interested in our church and our God. In case of sickness, a soul may be near eternity needing our help most urgently. We want the person that is wanting us, yes, we want that soul for God and the church.

In calling it is advisable to encourage conversation regarding our ministry—not to be fishing for compliments, but to know if we are being understood and are ministering to the need of the people. Of course, if the way opens, you will pray with the people you visit. However, often you will need to be tactful and make a way for prayer. I don't believe that there can be a set rule on this point, but it will depend largely on the personality of the minister and of the person or family we are calling upon. It is our business tactfully to attempt to have prayer. In only a few instances will it be found impossible to do so.

Where inquiries are made of a spiritual or personal nature, and help sought, endeavor to deal with these in a private nature so as to encourage confidences. Be wise and tactful in the visiting of the sick. The work of the doctor and minister are not opposed the one to the other. Visit the chronic sufferers as often as possible. These warriors of the Cross—how many times have we gone to minister unto them, and come away more ministered unto than we ministered. In visiting the sick, let our words be few, our visit brief, and our every word, expression and move be such as

to point that soul toward Jesus.

Calling on the sick and sorrowing will call for large expenditure of nervous energy, but during these trials the God of all grace will sustain us richly. True, our purse may be scanty, our labor obscure, and difficulties and encouragement apparently our portion, but the man of God has joy and blessing in full measure, pressed down and running over. The joy of leading a soul to God is great in heaven, and in the breast of God's servant too exquisite to utter.

#### MOVIE PRODUCTS

Ten per cent of the scenes deleted from motion pictures reviewed by the Division of Motion Pictures of the State Education Department, during the year ending in June, 1940, were eliminated on sacrilegious grounds. The report says that 926 scenes, subtitles or dialogues in 111 of the 1,762 motion picture films submitted for licensing during the year were deleted. In addition to 89 eliminations on "sacrilegious" grounds, 501 were classified as informal; 245 as indecent; 60 as tending to incite crime; 31 as inhuman.—Religious Notes and News.

#### THE MINISTRY

It takes three things to make a good preacher: Study, temptation, and prayer. The last, no man that lives near to God dare neglect. The first, no man who endeavors to rightly divide the Word of truth will neglect. And with the second, every man will be more or less exercised whose sole aim is to save souls. Those of a different cast, the devil permits to pass quietly on in their own indolent and prayerless way.—Adam Clarke.