

"BE STRONG * * * AND WORK" . . .

Prevailing conditions in the world today are surely a call to us all to more strenuous effort in our work for the Lord, for surely was the need never greater than now to pour forth all our energies into the work of the Kingdom. The need deepens in all parts of the world. Loyalty to truth and to the fundamentals of the faith must be steadfastly adhered to, increasing effort put forth for the promotion of Bible reading and study, and with all possible speed the Gospel message should be proclaimed to the unreached multitudes in the heathen lands.

Time is so rapidly passing, and this intensifies the urgency of the need for more wholehearted and sacrificial service. Each day brings with it sacred and serious responsibilities. May God give to each one a fresh vision of Calvary and a fuller apprehension of the world's deep need.

Napoleon said, "In war, opportunities are born and die in an hour; and he who would be successful in the prosecution must learn to read the signs of the hour." How important it is for us to discern the signs of the hour, and to have a right understanding as to our duties at this time of such pressing need and vast opportunity. Those who can discern will surely be in the forefront of the conflict, ready and equipped for any manner of service to which God calls them. The present unique opportunities must be seized at once ere they pass from us.

One of the greatest needs is for more importunate, believing prayer; for only as we are in vital touch with God will our work bear fruit to His glory. Of little value are vast organizations and schemes, unless spiritual power is the dominant working force. How vital to remember our Lord's words, "He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing," (John 15:5). Apart from Him all service is worthless, and the greater the realization of our own insufficiency the more we shall learn to depend on the Lord at all times as the source of all our life and strength. The mighty workings of this power in and through us will accomplish things otherwise impossible; so the issues for time and eternity transcend all thought.

Is it really possible to face the present world situation unmoved by the suffering and sorrow, and abounding sin? Are there not fresh tasks awaiting us, as we seek God's plan for us? All around, momentous changes are taking place, and none can tell what even a day may bring forth. The stormy billows of life may rage on every side, but naught should touch the spirit safely anchored in God. He will undertake in all the increasing problems that face us in these difficult days.

It is a fact, however, that must be recognized that in all aggressive work for Christ, the conflict is deepening with tremendous force. We have been forewarned of these perilous times, and this is one of the many signs that we are living in the closing days of this dispensation. Satan is fully aware that his end is drawing near; hence the increased activity of all the forces of evil on every side.

What supreme need there is that we should unite all our forces as never before, for in unity is strength. Let us stand together with the one object in view of seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. It is the concentration of mind and purpose that is needed, so that we may "stand fast in one

spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel," (Phil. 1:27).

It is a fatal mistake to under-rate the power of the enemy. Our foes are unseen—spiritual foes of super-human strength, with power to deceive and work wickedness beyond all human conception. These evil forces are all united in waging a fierce and prolonged warfare in every part of the world—"against the Lord, and against his Anointed." How necessary it is for the Christian warrior to be clothed in the whole armor of God, for only in His strength are we able to stand in the evil day, overcome our foes, and seek deliverance for those held captive by Satan.

Surely, too, nothing can exceed the urgency of the present hour in view of the rapidly approaching end of the age. With what earnestness we should seek to warn those who are still out of Christ! Is not this the hour to go forth into the highways and byways, and compel souls to come in? Where are the preachers who will plead with men today to "flee from the wrath to come" and prepare to meet their God? Tomorrow may be too late, for any moment the Lord may come, and the awful judgments foretold in God's Word will fall upon those who reject Christ and His salvation.

Let none fail to grasp the tremendous solemnity of these last days in which we are living. We are all needed in this supreme hour, so let us do something further to help forward the work of God's Kingdom in the short time that is left to us for sacrifice, service and suffering for Christ.

"Give me to see with Faith's clear eagle eye
The unseen worlds with all their weal and woe;
With Thee, eternity of bliss on high;
Without Thee, night — eternal night below.

I want to learn the value of one soul—

One soul that's saved, one soul forever lost,
By pondering well this everlasting goal,
And more than all, what Thee its ransom cost."

—Living Waters.

A LETTER FROM THELMA ROSE

K. M. B. I., Vancleve, Ky.

Dear Highway Friends:

"Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass." Psalm 37:4-5.

My heart is filled with praise, rest and peace as I reflect on God's leadings and faithfulness in fulfilling His promises. Many of you already know how He definitely led me to the Kentucky Mountain Bible Institute to study more of His Word. For some time it was my desire to study here, but last June God definitely revealed it to be His will, giving the promise, "What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." Jn. 13:7. As He has led another step I've followed in faith, receiving the admonition, "Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

I'll always be thankful for the twenty-one months of mission station work, the lessons learned and the experience gained. God faithfully supplied my needs. There I felt definitely in God's will until He led me here. He has answered prayer in supplying a worker to take my place at that station.

This Association had a wonderful camp-

meeting this year. The two evangelists were spirit-filled, both men of Kentucky. People attended from several States, but there were no testimonies that sounded more blessed and genuine than those given by many of the saved and sanctified mountain people, telling of wonderful changes wrought in hearts and lives through the power of the Holy Ghost. We will not forget the shine on the faces of many.

There were special times of blessing when the fire really fell. In one morning service the presence and power of the Holy Spirit were so real, it was wonderful! Some of us who are not given to much demonstration, enjoyed those who manifested a special visitation of God in our midst. The demonstration was so real, so pure and beautiful, we were glad to be there.

I praise the Lord for the way of holiness. It means everything to have fellowship with Him. I'm grateful too for all the associations I've had, and continue to enjoy, with the pure in heart. Holiness works the same everywhere, with all who get the experience and walk in the light. "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

I'll be grateful to those who will pray especially that the blessings and privileges enjoyed here will prepare me better to win souls. There are responsibilities too, and though it may be one of the best years of my life, it no doubt will be one of the busiest.

My thoughts are often homeward, but I'm thankful for the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit. He keeps us contented wherever He leads. Praise Him for victory!

Yours to follow all the way,

THELMA ROSE



Miss Thelma Rose

Who has been working with the Kentucky Mountain Holiness Association for the past two years. Miss Rose is now attending the Kentucky Mountain Bible Institute taking further training.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Clarence N. Goodspeed passed away at her home on George Street, Fredericton, N. B. on September 25. She had been a great sufferer and death came as a relief.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. S. C. Gray at Christ Church Cathedral on September 27.

To the sorrowing husband and family we extend our sympathy.