"I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ . . . preach the word: be instant in season, out of season"—2 Timothy 4:1, 2.

St. Paul wrote these words to Timothy because Timothy had made a covenant with the Lord to do his holy will; hence an obligation was laid upon Timothy which St. Paul desired him to fulfill. The spirit of the Lord God was upon Timothy because the Lord had anointed him to preach the good tidings unto the teachable. What Timothy was to do could bring no profit to the Lord, but the importance to Timothy is fore-shadowed by the positive and serious words St. Paul uses. Solemnly he says: "I adjure you [I most solemnly urge upon you] before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, that you preach the word; be instant in season and out of season".

**Applicable Now**

What was true then is now true. The times in which Christians are now living have intensified the importance of following this admonition. Let each one ask himself these questions:

Am I consecrated to the Lord? Did I agree to do God's holy will? If so, then the words spoken to Timothy apply to me. God's will concerning me is even my sanctification, my complete setting aside to do his will. As a new creature I am anointed with the holy spirit. My hope is ultimately to be a member of the royal family of heaven. I know that I must prove my loyalty and faithfulness, and I desire to have just such experiences as the Lord wants me to have to make such proof. The Christian who thus reasons reasons properly.

In addition to what has been said, each spirit-begotten and anointed one is the ambassador of Christ, to whom has been delivered the Lord's message of reconciliation to man. To each of his ambassadors the Lord through St. Paul now says:

"Preach the Word"

The word is God's message of reconciliation. To preach means to proclaim to others that message. Preaching may be by word of mouth or by placing the printed message in the hands of others. To be a witness for the Lord is preaching, whether by word or action. Some who are consecrated will say: 'I cannot preach. I am weak. I am but a child. Let some one else do it.'

The Lord knew that such would be the sentiment of some hearts. He foreshadowed it through the experience of Jeremiah. Israel had turned away from God. Jeremiah was directed to go and preach to that nation, warning them of God's vengeance and telling them what God's blessings would be if they repented and served him. Jeremiah then was but a stripling, and he said to the Lord: "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak; for I am a child. But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and
whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak. Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord. Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them."—Jer. 1: 6-8, 17.

**Our Commission Now As Theirs Then**

"Now all these things happened unto Israel for ensamples; and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." (1 Corinthians 10:11) Israel represented Christendom, in which there are many who desire to hear the word of God. Jeremiah the prophet foreshadowed the true, consecrated representatives of the Lord in the earth. Jeremiah was commanded to preach to the people of the impending disaster and the blessings that would follow repentance and obedience. The church, the antitypical Jeremiah class, is now commanded to preach the word of God, announcing God's vengeance upon Satan's empire in all of its parts, which message is contained in the **STUDIES IN THE SCRIPTURES**, and particularly Volume 7. They are to participate in the judgment of the demons, which message is contained in the book "Can the Living Talk with the Dead?" They are commanded to preach the message that will bind up the broken-hearted and comfort those that mourn, which message is contained in the "Millions" book and more fully set forth in "The Harp of God". Thus the time is here. The Lord will have the message given. He has provided us with the message. The obligation is upon all those anointed.

**"In Season and Out of Season"**

Remember the time is short. If we do not avail ourselves of the opportunity, the Lord will raise up somebody else; and thus we shall miss the privilege. It is for our own welfare and spiritual development that we seize the opportunity now. Those who enter this door of opportunity joyfully will be thrice blessed. They will bless themselves; bless the Lord, by singing his praises; and be a blessing to their hearers.

We are to preach the word when the Lord opens the way for us. It may be out of season to us. One might be tempted to say: 'I am tired. I prefer to take a vacation or a holiday. I desire to spend the time in some pleasure or reading something that will give me pleasure.' Let such remember that it is the chief business of our lives to be witnesses for the Lord and that no opportunity for service must be laid aside. Then we should act in season for those who wish to hear; and both in season and out of season for ourselves, as the Lord may open the door.

**God's Purpose in Revealing Truth**

There is scarcely a pulpit in all of Christendom where the truth of God's word is spoken. The mass of the people are starving to death for the want of spiritual food. Their minds are filled with doubt and fear, and their hearts are sorrowful indeed. It behooves every one of the consecrated to heed this admonition of the Apostle, avail themselves of the glorious privilege and hurry into the field with greater energy than ever before.

From all quarters come messages of good cheer from those who have recently heard the truth. In a recent convention, amongst those that were immersed five announced that their reading of the truth had been confined to the reading of "The Harp of God".

**Anticipate Effect of Experiences**

Satan through his agencies will attempt to discourage you, and you may have some experiences that will make you feel like Jeremiah when he said: "I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name". But every one who has the spirit of the Lord and who appreciates the wonderful time in which we are now permitted to be witnesses for him, will at once take courage; and like Jeremiah, say: "But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay".—Jeremiah 20:9.

Hurry into the field now. Fulfill your obligation as laid upon you by the Lord. Be a faithful and true witness, an honor and glory to his name, and a blessing to those who have the hearing ear.
Felicities of a Colporteur's Life

"I am sure that this is the best branch of the service. It has many advantages over the pilgrim service and is just as important. We have good meals and the most happy home life one could imagine. We assemble at night and talk over the experiences of the day, and also the Scriptures and Tower articles. Then the dear Lord has made providences so manifest in our behalf that our hearts are filled with gladness all the time. This is really the greatest life I have ever led. When we go out during the day and meet people, in distress, many of them, and see how the Master has arranged our lives so that we not only have an abundance of the good things of this life, but also have his holy spirit and his precious truth, then I say it is a life worth living. This has long been my desire, but I have never been able to attain it before. We have just enough of the various kinds of work to make it interesting. We lecture quite often and have good crowds, and are received with much hospitality. When I lectured in Rome we had a house full, the best theater in the city; and Brother — has the same experiences. Then we sell the books and make about enough money to pay our bills. What a life! This is really the most carefree existence I have ever known. Sometimes we go for a week without ever seeing a newspaper, so interested are we in other things. Of course, we cannot see into the future very far, but this we know, that he who began this good work in us is able to finish it to his glory, and we trust him."—Oa.

Most Direct Prejudice Killer

"During this week's work I found more prejudice than I ever had in the old days, and that last year much prejudice had been broken down; so I concluded that announcing the message would help to overcome prejudice."—Pa.

Some Experience This

"It was my privilege to get out in the work during the last drive we had, and it was a glorious experience to me. I had three and one-half hours' work, and in that time I sold thirty-three books, by the Lord's grace. Truly the people are more anxious to hear now than ever before. Everybody seems to be interested in what we have to tell them."—Pa.

Others Experience This

"Had the opportunity of telling the glad tidings to about twenty families who were both willing to listen and to ask questions. A more joyous day I never spent. I can talk to people now who would have scoffed a year ago, but not to all. Unless the Lord prepare a way for the people to pay for the books, soon I shall not be able to sell them. But I am going to keep trying and will give the witness, whether I sell the books or not."—Ala.

Experiences Peculiarly the Workers

"Oh, what a wonderful privilege it is! I never appreciated my blessings until I came into the truth. I always thought it necessary to have great wealth in order to have happiness. But though I am now occupying the most humble position imaginable, living in a cabin and, days that I am not colportering, earning my bread doing any mental labor, yet I never was so happy in my life. And I want to tell you how much I appreciate The Watch Tower."—Calif.

Increased Time Allotted for Service

"It was my privilege, by the Lord's grace, to devote two days of the past week in the service. Yesterday I didn't meet with much response, but surely enjoyed the privilege. I believe we get a special blessing by going over the territory the second time, as I find that those who received the message last year are anxious to hear more and also to get more literature. There certainly seems to be greater opportunity than ever."—Pa.

Elements that Service Only Can Develop

"If only more of the friends could appreciate what a help the service is in building character and strengthening faith more of them would put forth greater effort to be out in the service. I must tell you how thankful I am that by the Lord's grace I have now disposed of all my Zgs—one thousand eight-hundred. When first they were sent to me I felt somewhat reluctant about taking so many and thought I would surely be obliged to send some of them back. Then I consulted the Lord. So the decision was to do with my might what my hands found to do, and this is the result: no bitterness, but thankfulness for the privilege. Am more determined to continue in patience, that after having done the will of God I may receive the promise."—Colo.

"Praying and Watching Unto"

"Last Thursday morning while offering up her morning prayer to the heavenly throne a sister asked the Father's blessing on those who would be privileged to go out canvassing, and if he so willed that she might have some blessing along this line. Shortly afterward an agent called, and in a few minutes she began talking to him about the books. He became deeply interested, in fact, forgot all about his business, and went away with all three of the books of the combination. And while she was talking to him on the porch, another man passed by and happening to hear them walked up and said: 'That's just what I've been wanting to get'. So he took a 'Millions' book. About an hour afterward the agent returned and asked her if he might talk to her again about these wonderful things; so an hour was spent telling him something of the wonderful plan. He promised to attend the meetings. The next morning the postman called and asked for the book 'Can the Living Talk with the Dead?' He wished
to give it to a friend, another postman, who was almost convinced that spiritualism was the thing to look into. He wished to have his friend read the book, for he said it was absolute proof that the demons are the ones that are talking instead of our dead friends.” — Tex.

Work a Privilege for All

“From all indications I had come to the conclusion that it was the Lord’s will for me to go forth myself with the glad message instead of having to apply for a colporteur, as I had thought of doing. It seemed at the time that I could not devote as many hours as I wished, or as were required of me; but I praise the Lord that he has made his will in the matter clear to me. The little time I have had to put in has been so blessed by the Lord. One afternoon I sold six sets of the combination and gave the witness to a number; then another afternoon I was privileged to get two subscriptions to The Golden Age and two to The Watch Tower. When making a back call I got the promise of another subscription to The Golden Age. I had very great blessings at one place where I had the privilege of witnessing to a whole room full. Most of them were entirely disgusted with churchianity; but the lady of the house is in Babylon and told me that she could not believe what I was telling her. I asked whether she believed the Bible. ‘Oh yes,’ she replied. ‘Then you believe every word I’m telling you,’ I said. She bought the combination set.” — Mont.

What the People Canvassed Think

“Enclosed you will find a letter written by one who has been benefited by our efforts to tell the message.” — Okla.

“A man writing thanking you for the Golden Age pamphlets sent us and also to inform the little lady that wore glasses, who sold us the books, that they are wonderful. The last one my father is reading through the fourth time, and he says he can never tire of reading it. It has been a blessing to him. If she should come back here and has time we would be glad to have her call. Those books have surely opened our eyes, and to think how we have been misled. Father wanted the Methodist minister to take the one book and read, but he said he had a library full of that kind of books; but we told him that his were not books like this.”

What Hard Times Mean for Service

“The district we worked is in the coal region, and the poverty there is great. The men have done no work this year, and now the mining machinery is being moved. Houses in which the miners live, company houses, are being sold for twenty dollars each. The poverty of the miners is very touching. Often when being canvassed and hearing something of the Golden Age that is very near they burst into tears and say, ‘We won’t have to go hungry then, shall we?’ Both our public meetings were rained out, and we wondered what the Lord’s will was in the matter. Now we think we know why: he wanted us to have the joys of personal service. Never have we had such a response to the message. Sales are good, though money is scarce. Free literature is being asked for, and we are using copies of The Golden Age to meet some of this demand. The canvassers are often asked to return; sometimes reluctance is expressed at their leaving at all in less than an hour or two. It is such a blessing to comfort them now! Our class is small, hardly ever more than five or six of us able to work together; but the spirit of the friends is wonderful.” — Okla.

Answering Rather Than Accepting Refusals

“Today I went to deliver ‘The Harp’ to a lady who bad bought several of the books and who had ordered ‘The Harp’. She asked if I would take back the books she had already bought, as they were not what she thought they were, for she did not understand that they were written by the same Russell that started the Russellite sect. I asked how much of them she had read, and she said: ‘Very little’. So I told her to forget all she had ever heard of the author and to compare the books with her Bible and use her own judgment, which no doubt was just as good if not better than that of the ones who think they know what the books contain without ever having read them. I told her that I believed I had done her a good turn when I sold them to her, and that it would not be very consistent to take them back while I knew what they contained and she did not. That settled it, and she bought ‘The Harp’. I believe she will read them more earnestly now than if nothing had been said against them.” — Pa.

Impresses Value of Offer

“Some of the workers have found in selling books that it works well to tell the people that the price of the ‘The Finished Mystery’ was $1.00, but that now we are selling it for 75 cents and giving two pamphlets away with it. This explanation is found especially advantageous where the person canvassed has already purchased a ‘Millions’ book some time previous, and the suggestion is then made that they give one of the ‘Millions’ books to some friend. Many people have promised the workers to do this.” — N. Y.

Approaching Along Lines Interested

“A lady finding a woman who liked to study along lines that bore something of a mysterious character tactfully referred to the Seventh Volume, pointing out a few things concerning the Ezekiel temple. The ruse worked—it was a strange building with lots of little buildings around it—and a sale was made.” — Calif.

Replying to Ministers’ Talk

“One lady who was canvassed hesitated in her decision and was pressed to frankly say why she would not buy. She said, ‘Well, our ministers tell us so many things about that Russell teaching’. This gave the brother a new hold to tell the truth. As a result a sale was made.” — Calif.
A Christian must take an active course. He cannot be lukewarm or indifferent. His course must not be negative, but positive. All the illustrations given by the Apostle lead to this conclusion. The illustration here is that of a soldier who renders service acceptable to his captain.

Throughout the gospel age this rule of activity and loyalty has obtained, but it is particularly emphasized at this time. The reason is, we have reached the end of the world. The new order is here; the kingdom of heaven is at hand. The King of kings is present, directing his forces. The final conflict is on between the devil's organization and the Lord's organization.

One Insignia

The devil's organization visible is composed of three elements, which constitute the kings of the earth. Kings thus used in the Scriptures does not mean the men who wear crowns upon their heads literally. The term refers to the governing factors, made up of three elements: to wit, big business, big politicians, and big ecclesiastics, united for the purpose of controlling mankind. The mastermind behind this organization is Satan. He has subtly induced many of the masses to believe in and sympathize with his organization visible. This they do because they have no knowledge that it is Satan's organization. Because of this sympathy with the visible part of his organization, namely, the "beast," they have the "mark of the beast in their foreheads." Those who are active in giving their best endeavors in support of Satan's organization have the mark in their hands. These are his active soldiers.

The Other Insignia

The Lord's organization is made up of those who have volunteered to put themselves under the leadership of Christ Jesus, the captain of our salvation. This they did by an unconditional consecration. At the time of making their consecration the full duties to be performed were not known. As each one thus enlisted has increased in knowledge and the graces of the spirit, he has had a keener appreciation of the Lord's organization. Now he sees that this organization of the Lord is made up of Jesus Christ and the members of his body, those who have joined him in glory beyond the vail and those who are on this side. They see that because he is present and because he is beginning to reign, Satan's organization is desperately attacking. It is a war between the two mighty forces; and every human being is enlisted in the battle on one side or the other—on Satan's side, either actively or sympathetically; or on the Lord's side, either actively or sympathetically. The victory will be with the Lord. This is plainly recorded, because he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and because the time has come for his kingdom. When the battle is over and
the victory won, there will be certain victors with Christ Jesus; and these will be not only the called and chosen, but the ones who have stood the final test by proving their loyalty.

**Quality of Endeavor Decides**

The text likens the one who will be approved to a good soldier. The inference to be drawn is that there are some soldiers who are not good; therefore do not measure up to the standard. The latter will be those who sympathize with the Lord and his cause, but who through fear or indifference or some other excuse fail to be active and zealous. A good soldier is one who not only has enlisted and started in the warfare on the side of the Lord, but is active and zealous, and is joyful in his activity.

**What the Soldier Must Do**

The soldier of Jesus Christ is not left in doubt as to what he must do. First he has a description of the armor he must wear, as given by the apostle Paul, (Ephesians 6: 10—18) He must not only be fully armed, but he must be a servant of the truth and the truth only. His weapon of warfare is the message of truth, designated the sword of the spirit.

**Ignorantly Supporting A Failure**

Satan with his organization is desperately striving to subject the masses of the people by fraud and deceit and by keeping them in ignorance of the Lord's kingdom. The method of attack by the soldiers of Christ Jesus is to enlighten the people concerning the presence of the King; therefore the end of Satan's empire, and the great blessing that shall follow, when the Lord will grant unto them a full opportunity for life, liberty and happiness.

**Devoting Energies to that Enduring**

The soldier of Jesus Christ, therefore, is engaged in a happy work because he is doing good to his fellow creatures; and this work under the leadership of our Captain, Christ Jesus, will lead to a complete deliverance of the masses of mankind and the complete destruction of Satan's organization. The good soldier, therefore, will actively and zealously engage in availing himself of every opportunity to make known the message of truth, declaring the day of God's vengeance, pointing to the presence of the new order under the glorious King, and binding up the broken-hearted by showing the way that leads to life and happiness.

Are you a soldier? You must answer this question in the affirmative. You are a soldier on one side of the conflict or the other. There is no middle ground. Either actively or sympathetically you are on one side. Are you a soldier of Christ Jesus? If so, what kind of soldier are you—a good soldier or an indifferent one? These questions each one who knows the truth must answer for himself; and by the Lord's standard it is an easy matter for each one to determine.

**The Greatest Impediment— Oneself**

The inference to be drawn from the words of the text is that the good soldier will have much to endure; hence he must not only be active but develop fortitude also. The new creature who is a soldier of the Lord has a fleshly organism which wars against the mind of the spirit. Satan attempts to fight him through his fleshly organism. It therefore requires patient endurance to keep oneself actively engaged in the Lord's service and resolutely to endure. Naturally the body becomes tired. Naturally one shrinks from ridicule and persecution, taunts and jeers; but all these things must be endured cheerfully. This endurance must continue not for just a while. It will not do to say: I have been active in the service for a few years and may quit now.

**Must Attack**

In discussing the same matter in connection with the end of the world and what should be done at this time, Jesus our Captain said: "He that endureth to the end
shall be saved.” By that we should understand that the good soldier must endure and endure cheerfully until the end of his racecourse; hence to the end of the battle.

In Measure Supporting—

When not Molesting

Dear brethren, the eyes of the hosts of heaven are upon us, the enemy host desiring our defeat; the righteous host desiring our success. Let each one of us, therefore, gird up the loins of our mind; see to it that our armor is in good condition, and go forth to battle with joyful hearts, remembering the Apostle’s admonition: “In due season we shall reap if we relax not.” Remember that your method of attack is by putting the truth into the minds of the people. The Lord has provided that this may be done by the printed page, by word of mouth, and by personal influence. Lose no opportunity to give this witness to your neighbors, and to those in the district which is assigned to you; and even though it entails much hardness, remember the words of the Apostle and of the Lord Jesus, and endure cheerfully.

There is not a possibility of a doubt as to the result. Blessed is our portion now of being soldiers of the Lord Jesus Christ. Great will be our joy when the battle is ended and, by his grace, we may stand victorious with him and be counted as amongst those who were faithful and loyal to the end.

Pass None By

“Last week I was working a small mining camp. Before going there I made inquiry regarding the place, as to size, people, and industry. Some said: ‘There is no use going there. They work only one day a week, and you will find much poverty. You will not be able to sell anything.’ The Father clearly showed me his will, so I went. The result was that I sold in this small camp 46 books, one Bible, took one Golden Age subscription, and sold several copies of The Golden Age. I was told that they had a Methodist minister who talked much like myself. So I called on the minister, and was very cordially received. He informed me that he had the first three volumes, which he had purchased just recently. He was reading Volume One and gave me an order for the last four volumes, one of our Bibles, ‘Can the Living Talk with the Dead?’ and the ZG, and paid me at once for all. He then earnestly requested me to attend their Bible study.

“The room was well filled; and at that time he told that I had books which explained the Bible, all of which he had purchased, and he advised them to get those helps. All of them earnestly requested me to meet with them the following Thursday evening, and I did. The minister discoursed on Romans 8, and then informed the audience that I would be pleased to answer any questions. So by God’s grace I explained how that millions now living will never die, and dwelt some on God’s wonderful plan. Much interest was manifest. This week I hope, the Lord willing, to give them a chart talk.”—Colo.

Population 346

“Corsica is a very small place, but there were forty-five adults out to the meeting. Three full sets of Studies were sold and orders were taken for two Seventh Volumes at the close of the meeting.”—S. D.

Not All Are Bigoted

“I canvassed a young minister, who was so pleased to hear the truth that he not only took the Millions book right away and started to read it, but also ordered all the Volumes and the Sermon book. It so happened that this minister had no charge. He wanted a meeting at his home, and promised to attend all the meetings after procuring the addresses.

“A huckster on the street told me that he had nothing to do with so-called Christians and was not in harmony with churches. When I told him I did not belong to any of them and commenced to tell him the truth, he said, ‘You are on my side.’ Although he was in a hurry, he bought a set.”—B. C.

Looking Back

“Just one and one-half years ago we had no class here. A short talk was given in the home of a widowed sister’s parents, and now we have a class of seven members and quite
a few other interested ones. Last night a chart talk was given in the home of some colored people, at which time there were five present. On September 25 we had the lecture on Millions."—Ohio.

**Recognize Present Time for Increased Service**

"How grand it is! Every one in the class can now take a part. It was certainly good to see how the friends, after the meeting yesterday, loaded up with COMBINATIONS. This forenoon I took five COMBINATIONS and started out. The way they were selling before I thought these would last all day; but inside of three hours they were all gone. Some did not have the money on hand; but as they wanted the books, I made arrangements for them to pay later. After the meeting yesterday we had the COMBINATIONS on the table. One man took a MILLIONS book, looked through it, took it, placed a twenty-dollar bill in the hand of one of the brethren, and left."—Wash.

**Setting Aside Duties for Service**

"I find my time taken with the work put before me. I have a baby two years and four months old and a feeble father of seventy-six years. However, I went to the village of E— on October 3 last and sold a few COMBINATIONS and two single books. I went to C—one day in the same month and sold twenty COMBINATIONS and four single books altogether. Did well for the time I was gone, but I have to take my baby, which makes it very inconvenient for me."—N. H.

**Intend Donating a Church**

"The people are most certainly waking up in this country. Brother L— has no less than twenty-five vitally interested in hard-shelled R—. A prominent member of the Church of England stopped him on the street the other day to tell him that they had come to the conclusion that a paid ministry is unscriptural. The gentleman said that the Bible Students were no doubt correct in their procedure and that worship should be conducted in a community by those chosen from among themselves. To this end he was going to suggest to nine other wealthy men of the town that they each put in one hundred dollars and purchase the Presbyterian church and turn it over to the Bible Students for community worship."—Can.

**Can Afford $1.00 but not $.25**

"I find it just as easy to sell the COMBINATION as to sell one of the books. Almost all who are willing to buy will readily buy the three when they don't want to buy one. For instance, I canvassed a lady for the MILLIONS book but she said she could not buy it unless I would take twenty cents, as she did not have another five cents. I tried to impress on her the value of the message it contains, stating that we were almost giving it away, but could not convince her. I took out the other books to prove what I was saying. When she saw these books she immediately gave me a dollar for the three, when she didn't have another five cents to pay for the one."—Cuba.

**Oh, What A Crime**

"The Methodist minister was hearing the class. He made the statement that immortality was not mentioned in the Old Testament and that the New Testament said we are to seek immortality. One present made the remark, 'That is what the Husselites believe.' The minister replied, with some confusion, that Russell was not the founder of that teaching, but had simply stolen it from the Bible."—Pa.

**Business Sections**

"Am colporteuring in a business section here now, and sales are increasing—twenty-four yesterday and twenty-seven today."—Pa.

**Seventy-One Percent Sales**

"Out of fourteen homes here in N—and that is practically all there are close in, ten took something, seven of these COMBINATIONS. Another will take upon returning from a trip. Several are very much interested and would hardly let me go. Had to spend an hour or two with them."—Fla.

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The King’s Business

“To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.”—Isaiah 61:3.

Are you a child of the King? Are you a soldier in his army? If so, you have a commission to do certain things. Happy is the man or the woman who holds such a commission. The words of the commission open thus: “The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me” to do so and so. And what is there for me to do?

Longing for the King, yet Fearful

In nominal Christendom there are millions of people who love order and peace and righteousness, but who are held in restraint because of fear of the beastly order of things and who are therefore much in distress. The World War brought sorrow to millions of them, and the wickedness of man has made countless millions mourn. They mark the death of their loved ones; and although they have claimed to be following the Lord, they see nothing but sorrow and death before them.

The members of the Lord’s specially anointed, however, have a certain duty to perform toward this great host of sorrowing ones, and their duty is pointed out in the commission given by God through the prophet thus: “To give unto them that mourn in Zion beauty for ashes.” Ashes are a symbol of sorrow and death. It is the privilege and duty, then, of the followers of Christ Jesus to take away these ashes of mourning from the people and show to them the beauties of the kingdom, the resurrection of the dead, and the blessings that will come with the reign of Messiah.

Comfort Jehovah Designed for Mankind

All over the earth the creation groans in pain, greatly desiring and praying for deliverance. They are mourning because of their plight and miserable condition. The Lord has commissioned his faithful ones to give to these the oil of joy for mourning. This means that it is our duty to bring to the knowledge of these people that which will take away their mourning and fill their hearts with joy. They have the spirit of heaviness. They have lost hope. Our privilege is to dispel this darkness and heaviness and to clothe them with the garment of praise.

This can be done by none others save those who have the message of the Lord. The purpose of thus doing is plainly pointed out by the Prophet: “That they [these millions] might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.” A green tree is a symbol of
life. Trees of righteousness, then, would mean the granting of an opportunity for life to the millions of the earth; and those who receive the message and obey it shall thus be planted by the Lord and will be a glory to his name. This is another way of stating the message that the kingdom of heaven is here, and that those who hear and obey this message of the kingdom will live forever and will not die.

**Instructors in Righteousness**

The Lord has graciously armed his people with the message, put into such form that it may be used to give beauty instead of ashes, joy instead of mourning, praise instead of heaviness. This message of comfort from God’s Word is truly called his harp; for it is a harmonious statement of the divine plan. Now the Lord has provided “The Harp of God,” the book stating in plain phrase the salient features of the divine plan, which when read in connection with the Bible brings joy to the sad and peace to the troubled mind.

**“Greater Works than These”**

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And while this is due to be done and is being done, Satan is marshaling all of his forces and lodging them against the people of the Lord to overthrow some by one method and some by another. It is his last desparate attempt to control mankind. But we know it will fail. Let each one, then, who has this commission avail himself or herself of the opportunity now to press on in the battle, seizing every possible opportunity to put into the hands of the sad, mournful, distressed ones of humanity the word of consolation which the Lord has given unto them to carry to the world.

**A Great and Important Work**

This privilege and honor should not bring headiness to any one; but on the contrary should cause us to walk with fear and trembling before the Lord, being always anxious to do that which pleases him. Let us remember that his work does not depend upon us, but that our salvation depends upon our faithful performance of the work that has been committed to us. Let us further keep in mind that we are the representatives of his kingdom; and as such it is our privilege to make known the fact that he is here; that his kingdom is at hand; that the old world is done; that God’s vengeance is upon the devil’s order; and that soon the old heavens and the old earth will completely pass away and be succeeded by the new heavens and earth, and that millions now living, if obedient to righteous, will continue to live forever.

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Three Complete Sets of Studies

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Results of Previous Work

“The people seem more anxious to hear the truth now than ever before. Three out of four that I call on who have the combination take the Harp Study Course. One lady on whom I called gladly accepted it, and came the next Sunday to the Harp study. Interest in the Harp in my home is increasing. One Catholic lady said that since childhood she had been longing for the light..... The walls of the convent could not keep her from thinking. Four dear souls (Catholic) in my territory of late, by the aid of some of the I. B. S. A. literature, see that God is love.”—Tex.

Harp Bible Study Results

“This morning a lady told me that she had learned more in the little she had read in the Harp than she ever did in Sunday School. She had an idea that when I called again she would be expected to answer to me all the questions on the cards, and said she knew she couldn’t, but that she had memorized the “strings” of the Harp..... She is breaking a previous engagement to come to a chart talk this evening, and seems very desirous of learning more.

Another young lady says that the Harp is more interesting to her now than fiction, and that it is the first religious book she has ever become interested in, chiefly because of its simplicity. The father of the same lady says that he had prayed for the dead all of his life until he read in the Harp that the dead are unconscious. Now he has changed his prayer..... Another lady said that she never would buy it on its looks, as she would think the Irish got it up; but she readily bought it after I explained that it was green for the same reason that we hang green wreaths at Christmas time.”

“I am working among the more wealthy and find greater interest among them than I ever found before. Many of them express appreciation of the beauty of the language used in the Harp. ... My partner ... came to a knowledge of the truth as recently as December 11, and started working in her home territory about six weeks ago. It was hard to call on those who had been her best friends; and one call in particular she asked me to make, but finally decided she would go. The lady on whom she called bought the combination. In the evening the daughter called and found our new sister so much happier than when in the world that she became interested, and asked questions; then she bought the Harp. Last week fourteen of the relatives of the two girls heard a chart talk in the home, and I have never seen keener interest than they are taking.”—N. J.

Best Results in Own Town

“Just a few words which may be encouraging to you: Last Thursday I made three back calls where the Harp Course had expired, and two ordered complete sets of Studies in the Scriptures. The other lady, though interested, could not buy at present but she may later. I find that I have the best results in my own town. I was very much blessed and encouraged to see what results the circulation of the Harp Course is bringing.”—Pa.

Purchaser Sold Six Books

“It is such a joy to watch the progress of some who are newly interested. They need care and attention from time to time, and I find my heart going out to them in loving sympathy and interest..... One day in canvassing I found a Christian Scientist who bought the Millions book and the TD, and we had a little talk. I asked her whether I might leave my bag of books at her place until I came again, and said, laughingly, ‘You can sell some if you have an opportunity.’ The first time I went back she had sold two Millions and one Harp; and she herself took the Harp. The next time she had sold three Millions, and took a Scenario for herself. She said quite seriously, ‘Now, you’d better bring me some more of the Millions books. I can sell them easier than anything’—just as if it were a matter of course that she was to continue to sell them. In the meantime she is reading the Harp, and I have a little talk with her each time I see her.”—N. Y.

Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society
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ARE you a child of the King? Are you a soldier in his army? If so, you have a commission to do certain things. Happy is the man or the woman who holds such a commission. The words of the commission open thus: "The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me"—to do so and so. And what is there for me to do?

Longing for The King, Yet Fearful.
In nominal Christendom there are millions of people who love order and peace and righteousness, but who are held in restraint because of fear of the beastly order of things and who are therefore much in distress. The World War brought sorrow to millions of them, and the wickedness of man has made countless millions mourn. They mark the death of their loved ones; and although they have claimed to be following the Lord, they see nothing but sorrow and death before them.

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The members of the Lord's specially anointed, however, have a certain duty to perform toward this great host of sorrowing ones; and their duty is pointed out in the commission given by God through the prophet thus: To give unto them that mourn in Zion beauty for ashes. Ashes are a symbol of sorrow and death. It is the privilege and duty then, of the followers of Christ Jesus to take away these ashes of mourning from the people and show to them the beauties of the kingdom, the resurrection of the dead, and the blessings that will come with the reign of Messiah.

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Chosen to Deliver Comfort
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Anything that indicates how the people are receiving the message will be interesting I know. I will mention therefore that some one who had heard the truth at one of our public lectures but who was not associated with a class of Bible Students at all, desired that if possible her friends should get me to preach her funeral sermon. Through the cooperation of the friends at — this arrangement was made and we had the privilege of speaking in the C—.
about 400 people. This number filled the church to overflowing. It is indeed encouraging to get such an audience without advertising.—Ont.

"Much of the territory is rural and can only be reached by a great deal of walking, when one has no better means of travelling. If I confined myself to the towns and villages I would not reach nearly so many people, so I take in the farms as well, if I can reach them on foot. I find that many of these people have never had an opportunity to get the literature, and they are more ready to listen to the message than the town people. Week before last I spent two days in a settlement which cannot be reached by rail at all. In the two days I covered probably 45 miles on foot, but was well repaid by selling ten of the 85c combinations and 4 odd books. I was invited to come again and hold a meeting in the school-house, which I hope to do when I take the Harp into that district. I take all the books I can carry on a trip like this. I certainly would advise Colporteurs not to neglect the farms and ranches, if they can be reached."—B. C.

"This noon sold 20 books and gave 60 B. S. M. I sure love my work. Praise ye the Lord.—Alta.

"Last week I found a Roumanian man to whom I had loaned a "Millions" in the winter. He had written to the U. S. for a Volume One. Said his books were worth $1,000.00, and he was not afraid now. 'God send His Kingdom.' I got him a Roumanian Bible in Buffalo. I have found quite a few people glad to be shown "Our Lord's Return" booklet in connection with the 85c Combination, and I sell the four books for $1.00."—Ont.

"I am realizing more and more, the value of being in constant touch with the various workers and making their personal acquaintance so to speak. I have felt for the last few months that we were not having enough of that sort of thing and that that was probably one cause of the work not developing as fast as it should. However, it is well nigh impossible to accomplish this without the sum of a special Thursday night meeting, and we here have never been able, under the circumstances, to have such a meeting."

—Ont.

The Editor of "The . . . Herald" was the first to receive the canvass. He bought a combination set and promised to put the write-up of the lecture in his paper. I have concluded the Editor of the rural paper is the most important man in town to get in touch with and should never be overlooked.—Alta.

The Harp Course is a very good seller, the people seem to like the idea fine. There are two new classes meeting every Sunday in our territory this year, and expect to organize one more shortly.—Sask.

At —— two children of a poor family died. The priest wanted $100.00 to take the funeral. Brother —— using a Catholic Bible took the service. Since then he has placed many Bibles and books among those who attended the funeral and their friends. They say, "We are done with the priest. We don't need him any more."

Recently I called on an old man who was out of work through old age and not eligible for pension. I told him a few things about the book and he said, "I should very much like to read the book but I can't possibly afford the money." I asked him if he would read it if I loaned same to him and he gladly agreed.

The day following I was canvassing in that territory and my attention was called by this man who was working out in the yard across the street. He waved his hand at me and beckoned me to come over, which I did. He said, "Mr. ——, I want to keep that book; my wife read it half through last night. Come right inside and we will pay you for it."

Another great thing about this course is the weekly self quiz cards. It is an inspiration to walk to the postoffice every Friday with the bundle of cards grown bigger each week, and to think of the results they will have in persistently calling the readers attention to the questions thereon.—Ont.
HIS WITNESSES

"Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen."—Isaiah 48:10.

These words were spoken to those whom Isaiah foreshadowed. The time for their fulfillment is now. Those who respond to the Lord’s invitation here have a special favor from him.

We can better understand the words of the text by considering them in connection with Isaiah’s vision as set forth in chapter 6 of his prophecy. Read carefully that chapter and then consider these lines.

Time

The vision was in the year that Uzziah the king died. Uzziah represented, we believe, the denominational churches which at one time represented the Lord. Uzziah was rich and for a time ruled well; he was a great man. But self-conceit and arrogance led to his downfall. So it has been with the denominational churches.

Near the close of his reign King Uzziah insisted on offering incense in the temple, contrary to the law of God. For this offense he was stricken with leprosy and died. The denominational churches reached the zenith of their power about the beginning of 1919, when they repudiated the Lord and his kingdom and openly endorsed the League of Nations, the offering of Satan as a substitute for and as “the political expression of God’s kingdom on earth.” From that time forward they were stricken with leprosy and are dying.

The vision shows Isaiah in the temple; therefore it pictures the people of God this side the vail in relationship with the Lord, Sanctity through Activity

The vision shows Isaiah inactive; thus picturing the church during the year 1918 and part of 1919 in a condition of inactivity. Isaiah beholds the seraphim above the throne of the Lord, saying, “Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts.” The effect upon him was to cause him to cry out: “Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.” A seraph then took a coal of fire off the altar and purged Isaiah’s lips. This clearly shows that the impurity of the Isaiah class, to wit, the church, related to a message from the mouth which has not been delivered. In 1919 the temple class realized their inactivity. They came to a knowledge of the fact that the church had before that time been doing the work pictured by Elijah, and for the first time had a clear understanding that Elisha pictured another work which the church must do. They came to a knowledge in 1919 that the saints must deliver a message in behalf of the Lord as his witness to the nations.
The Willing and Responsive Delegated

In the temple Isaiah heard a voice saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Isaiah responds: "Here am I; send me." So it has been with the faithful and earnest ones of the Lord since understanding the Elisha work. As good soldiers of the cross they have not asked the reason why, nor when, nor where, but have been wholly submissive to the Lord, saying, "Here am I, send me." The message of the Lord tells them: 'Go and tell the people that the King is present; that the kingdom is at hand; that Satan's empire is under judgment; that the world has ended; and that millions now living will have the opportunity for everlasting life.' The vision then shows that the leaders and the mighty men, the antitypical Pharisees and their close allies, will "hear, but understand not."

Nominal Christians Challenged —

"Are You or Not?"

For centuries Satan has blinded the people to the great divine truths. Now the time has come for them to have their eyes opened. And so God's prophet, speaking to the antitypical class, the new creation, this side the veil says, "Bring forth the blind people that have ears, and the deaf that have ears." In other words, bring the message to those who have been blinded and made deaf but who now have the desire to see and to know. Then the Lord directs his people to issue a challenge to the Babylonish systems that have claimed that they can bring peace and prosperity and life and happiness to the peoples. The challenge is couched in these words: "Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and show us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is the truth." Then says the prophet of God: "Ye are my witnesses, and my servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no savior.... I will work, and who shall hinder?"—Isaiah 48:9-11, 13.

Faithful Fulfil Divine Purpose

Clearly here the consecrated, spirit-begotten, anointed ones are designated as the Lord's witnesses at this time; and they are called upon to challenge the world and all of the devil's organizations to make proof of their contention or else to keep silence and hear the witnesses concerning the Lord's kingdom. Without question this witness must be given. It will have to be given persistently and under adverse conditions. Jesus says: "He that endureth to the end shall be saved."

By the Scriptures we see that God now intends to have a people on the earth in this time of stress and clearly marked as separate and distinct from all others, who shall stand forth as his witnesses and fearlessly give out the message: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand; the King is here; millions now living will never die.'

The Elijah work, done by the church from 1874 until 1918, is more particularly related to the restoration of the great fundamental truths which had long been hidden under the débris of human traditions. The Elisha work, since 1919, more particularly relates to a proclamation of the great truths against Babylon, against Satan's empire, and the announcing of the presence of the King and the establishment of his kingdom and the blessings to follow.

How Long Shall We Witness?

Some of the Lord's dear saints are inclined to become weary and to think they must cease giving forth this message, and that it is useless to do more. Let all such remember the words of the Apostle: "Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we relax not." (Galatians 6:9, Diaglott) When asked, then, how long we shall continue this work, the Lord answers: "Until the cities [the devil's organization, his systems and his offspring] be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate." In other words, the message must continue to be
given to the faithful ones until Babylon’s walls tumble to the ground. Let his people therefore continue to march about her and “shoot at her, spare no arrows. . . Shout against her round about.” (Jeremiah 50: 14, 15) The Lord Jesus corroborates this when he says: “This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world as a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.”

There is nobody to do this work except the new creation. The question with each one who reads these lines is this: Am I of the new creation? Am I one of those begotten and anointed ones who are willing and anxious to be faithful and true witnesses to the Lord?

The Honor of All His Saints

For six thousand years Jehovah has been preparing for the very hour in which we are living. He has been developing his plan and preparing for the final overthrow of Satan and his empire. Since 1914 the King of glory has been exercising his great power and is reigning. Let every one of his saints, then, who, having had his lips cleansed, sends forth this message, do it with all the power and force with which he is endowed by the Lord. The importance of the message of the kingdom cannot be overestimated. Let the voice of the Lord speaking through the Prophet ring out in our ears: “Ye are my witnesses, and my servant whom I have chosen.” Remember that this witness can be given both by word of mouth and by the printed page, particularly the latter way.

Days of World-wide Concerted Effort

October 29, 1922, is again set for a world-wide witness and drive. Let all the classes prepare for one good meeting in their vicinity at that time, and devote the remainder of their energy in making a special drive to put out the message contained in the books.

On December 10, 1922, will be another world-wide drive. Let similar action then be taken. Do not become weary in well-doing. Be brave; be fearless; be courageous. Let love be the motive, and keep in mind the great honor of representing the Lord and establishing in the minds of the people that Jehovah is God, and that Jesus Christ is King of kings and Lord of lords, and that his kingdom is now taking its place for the blessing of mankind. Let each one do his duty as a valiant soldier of the cross. Onward, Christian soldiers! Relax not your hand nor your zeal.

Quiz Cards Made Sale

“The other week while working in H......... I canvassed a man who bought the COMBINATION and the HARP COURSE. He said that he did not have the money to spare, but was going to get them anyway. His wife had been sick so much that their hospital and doctor bill was about to break them up. After he had made the purchase he asked me whether we had been in a section below there. When I answered in the affirmative, he said that he had been delivering cards to several down there (he is a mail carrier) and had become much interested by the questions.

“The next day I saw a man to whom I had tried to sell at another place some time previous. He remarked that when I had called upon him he told me he did not read much, but said that his neighbors had bought and he was reading and very much enjoyed the books. His wife’s only objection to the books was that neither she nor the children could get anything out of him when he got the books; for then he was like a setting hen.

“We see more results from the books now than ever before, and rejoice in the great privilege of helping to enlighten the world and of tearing down Satan’s house.”—Miss.

Sales That Assure Knowledge

“I have never enjoyed the colporteur work more than during the last six weeks. The HARP work surely is the best of all. Have worked all but the north side of B........., where the well-to-do people live, but I cannot stay to finish. Have placed 230 HARP Courses in the city since March 25.”—Minn.
Purchased with Meagre Savings

"We are having great blessings. In three instances the people I called upon emptied their purses and penny banks, and one of them yesterday paid part of the price in postage stamps, so eager was she to get the Harp. Of course there is opposition; but we expect that, as the ministers are bitter, and some, at least, of their people still believe in them . . . . We find the Quiz cards a great help in the sale of the book."—N. Y.

Joys Obtainable Thru Experience Only

"I sold the volumes in a home where the man was a cripple, having but one arm. Shortly before this his little son, eight years old, had been shot and killed by a playmate. He and his wife read and accepted everything as fast as they came to it. They also talked it, and he lost his position. Then another baby came, and the wife lost her eyesight. They have one other child, and are now destitute. I had failed to keep in touch with them, and only a few days ago learned of their distress. When I called they told me that if it were not for the hope held out in the volumes they would have taken morphine and gone to sleep, as that seemed better than seeing the children starve. But always when that thought would come they would remember things which I had told them; and they said even in their extremity they would not take one hundred dollars for the books, if that meant doing without them. The wife has made a complete consecration, as far as I can determine. They were Catholic.

"I thank my God daily for the wonderful experiences I am having and for the blessings which he is bestowing upon me; and I am thankful to have even a small share in the auxiliary colporteur service."—Ore.

Worth Trying Out

"We have certainly been blessed by our Lord in service. He is a wonderful paymaster; and if more of the friends only knew they would not be anywhere else than in his direct service."—Calif.

Course Placed Set of Studies

"A lady who has read the Combination is just completing the Harp Course. I also sold her the six volumes of Scripture Studies. She expressed herself as greatly interested in the Course. The Self-Quiz cards she says she intends to keep and to continue going over . . . . This lady is a very active 'Pastor’s Assistant'."—Calif.

Mourning—Brokenhearted—Comforted

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By his grace we are,
Your brethren and co-laborers in the Lord.

Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society
ADVERTISE the King and the Kingdom.

Let this be the slogan.

As suggested in the Bulletin for September, the issue is squarely drawn between Satan's organization and the followers of Christ. The resolution adopted by the International Bible Students in convention at Cedar Point clearly defines the issue. Let the world leaders who represent Satan come forth with their proof justifying their position that the desire of the nations can be obtained through international conference. We know that such proof is not possible. Then it devolves upon us to testify the truth to the world. The King is here, has taken unto himself his power, and reigns. Our business, then, is to act as his publicity agents, advertising to the world that the panacea for the ills of mankind is Messiah's kingdom; that the desire of all nations can come through the Messiah and in no other way.

Disclose Reason for Unrest

The rulers of earth are in perplexity, the people in distress, and daily the spirit of unrest is increasing. The common people are entitled to know the reason why. If there is a remedy, it is our privilege to tell them of that remedy. Yea, the obligation is laid upon all true Christians to tell the people the truth now. The Lord has committed unto his people the message of comfort and reconciliation. The truth is the only consolation that can be given to the people. A failure now to tell them the truth would be to shirk our responsibility.

Supply Panacea

Our text shows that the Lord commands his followers to ascertain his will as expressed in his Word and then diligently to do what he has commanded. Diligence means the very opposite of slothfulness. It means alertness and activity. This is no time for inactivity or negligence, but a time for strenuous efforts. It means that we shall be watching for opportunities of service and seizing every opportunity as it comes. Remember, each one is responsible to the Lord for a proper use of his talents. Let each one ask himself the question: Am I bending every effort to testify the message to the world in this time? Am I diligent in keeping the commandments of the Lord? Let the answer be given honestly to the Lord and to ourselves. If not doing all you can, then become active and diligent at once. If doing what you can, then do not become weary in well doing, but remember that in due time you shall reap, if you faint not.

There are millions who have not heard of the message of the kingdom. They must hear. If faithful in that which the Lord has committed to our hands, he has promised to advance such faithful ones to more important positions. This faithfulness must continue to the very end of our earthly course.
“Resolution” Tracts

The Resolution adopted at Cedar Point must go to the rulers and to the people. This Resolution embodied with other matter in a free tract is being issued by the millions. In a short while you will receive your quota. They will be sent to you free of charge; except that the classes will be expected to pay the transportation charges. These we will pay in advance, however, and send you a bill later.

These tracts should be distributed carefully. Be sure not to waste them. Do not throw them on the lawns or porches, but take the time to ring the bell and hand them in and say a pleasant word to the one who responds. This will open the way for you to canvass for the books later.

Method of Action

We strongly urge the brethren everywhere to adopt the following method of distribution: Tuesday, October 31 (the anniversary of Brother Russell's change), is set for the general distribution of the tract throughout the United States and Canada. Let the Service Director thoroughly organize the entire force of the class. Let every one in the class engage in doing his or her part. The rural district of your territory should be first worked on October 31. The Service Director should send the entire force to the suburbs or smaller towns in the district, dividing them into companies. Distribute the tracts carefully, seeing to it that they are placed in the hands of the people or handed in at the door. Cover as much territory as possible on the 31st. Then on the following days of the same week canvass that same territory where the tracts have been distributed for the combinations. Get everybody in the class to participate in the canvass for the books as well as in the distribution of the tracts. After the people have read the tracts they will be anxious to see the books. Strike while the iron is hot. While canvassing for the combination if you find some one who desires THE HARP or the STUDIES IN THE SCRIPTURES, or any of the rest of the books, take the order. Let the combination have precedence over the others as far as the canvass is concerned, and as long as the combinations last. As soon as your stock of combinations is exhausted, then proceed with the house to house canvass with THE HARP OF GOD.

The week following, namely, November 7, let the distribution of the tracts begin in the cities; and when the tracts are out, carefully go over the territory with the workers as it was done in the country until the city is thoroughly canvassed.

Remember, first distribute the tracts, and then go over the same territory as quickly as possible thereafter and canvass the people for the books.

Witness to 30 Nationalities

This tract is now being issued in English, and will shortly be translated and published in the thirty-odd other languages in which the truth is now published and sent out for distribution.

This is a big job, but it is a blessed one. The purpose is to give a witness to the world. Let each class strengthen its organization, enlisting every one in the work who can work. Go at the work systematically and with the determination to do it to the Lord's glory. Remember the commandment from the Lord at this time: “This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.” And remember our text: “Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.”

Logical Steps of Activities

The distribution of these tracts will create a wide interest in the publications of the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society; for the Resolution makes certain statements, and the people who read it will in all probability desire to find the authority for the statements therein. The general worldwide meetings on October 29th, together with the advertisement for these meetings appearing in the previous week's newspapers, will begin to stir up interest. Following this, the distribution of 10,000,000 copies of the Resolution in the United States will increase this interest. This, followed
as quickly as possible with the canvass for the combination, will create still further interest and will be an excellent means of advertising the King and the Kingdom. Our mission is to announce the kingdom of our Lord, and the books that are being sold will best accomplish this object. The people's attention must be called to the books.

Phenomenal Events such as:

An 87-ton meteor striking the earth,
A ten-and-a-half-inch path of paper from New York to San Francisco,
A seven-car trainload of paper,
A one-inch band of paper reaching around the earth,
Or a flutter of snowflakes a quarter of an inch square, alighting on every square inch of land surface in the United States,
would cause world-wide comment.

Such a demonstration could be made with merely the material used for these tracts. People would be compelled to note such events; for of themselves these command attention. Of no less consequence will be the distribution of the Resolution: Its message will command as much attention, calling, as it does, for thinking instead of physical exhibition. Attention thus so pointedly attracted should also disclose the object—The King and the Kingdom. While the people are abjectly wondering what is to follow, what hope they have if even the present unrighteous system, as unsatisfactory as it is, is abolished, bring to their attention that he, the King, is here and that he is establishing his kingdom. Supply them with the proof of this, the "Millions" book, the "Finished Mystery," and "Can the Living Talk with the Dead?" Let them prove for themselves that it is true. Let them understand why this demonstration, why the King is being announced; yes, and how they might live to see such a favorable reign inaugurated on earth.

Through this concerted effort you have begun to Advertise the King and the Kingdom; then reap the results of the advertising; see people seeking meekness, seeking righteousness, conforming their lives to the new order, supporting the new King. The HARPBIBLESTUDY COURSE will instruct them how to do this.

We trust that the tracts will reach you in time, so that ample preparation can be made for this distribution. They will come to you folded in lots of eight tracts to a fold. These can be separated either before you proceed to your field or as you distribute them.

A Suggestion for Canvasses
Following is a suggested canvass for the HARPBIBLESTUDY COURSE. This is in addition to the canvass already supplied. Each worker can take his choice as to which he thinks best serves the interest. We also suggest a canvass for the combination.

Canvass for The Harp of God
Good morning!
Do you know that the Bible shows that millions now living will never die? The Bible is the most wonderful book ever published when understood. The Bible itself uses the harp as an illustration of the harmonies of God's plan, and this book shows the harmonious arrangement. In ancient times a harp had ten strings. It illustrated how the Bible contains ten fundamental truths, all yielding a beautiful harmonious melody. The time has come to understand God's Word, and it can now be understood. All Sunday School superintendents, teachers and pupils, young and old, need this book. It is arranged in eleven chapters; and following each chapter is a list of questions, numbered to correspond to the paragraph where the answer may be found. It answers practically every Biblical question you could think of.

[Briefly run over the strings.]
The first is Creation, showing how God created man perfect, contrary to the theory of evolution. The second, Justice Manifested against wrongdoing. This is really the minor chord of the harp, but it lends harmony to the whole when once understood.
These three books constitute a real library of Biblical information bearing on the time in which we are now living. The cost is merely nominal—only 75c.

King Announced through 1000 Books

"If the dear Lord continues to bless our feeble efforts in the next few days as in the past, we shall have had the privilege of putting in the hands of the people more than 1,000 books in five weeks time. Truly the harvest is ripe, the people are hungry for something that will satisfy and praise the Lord. We have the message to give them."—Ind.

Believes Message must be Placed

"I realize that persistence is a necessary qualification in canvassing. Sometimes the wife is very indifferent, without money, or perhaps fearful of purchasing anything to which her husband might object. Then I enquire for the husband or children. In one instance I went around the house, found the son-in-law painting, sold him a Harp; and on the other side was the "hired man" way up at the top of a ladder. When I told him about it he started right down the ladder and took a Harp. In another place the lady had just lost her mother, was much impressed, and went back into the shed to ask her husband and he said "No." I then asked if I could see him a moment and when I explained some things, he said she could buy it. I called one man from the potato field and sold him a combination; had seen his wife at the house and she had no money. I find those who have appreciated the combination are mostly those bound in Babylon, not satisfied. The "G" does the work; several have wanted nothing further. The proportion of sales to the number of calls has averaged about 1 to 3 in my experience with the Harp."—N. Y.

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“Say among the nations that the Lord reigneth; the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved; he shall judge the people righteously.” — Psalm 96:10.

This text is a positive commandment from the Lord, to be executed in due time. Jesus said: “If ye love me, keep my commandments.” To this St. John adds: “This proves our love of God, that we keep his commandments; and his commandments are not grievous to us.”

The due time for obeying the commandment here first above mentioned is at the beginning of the reign of our Lord. It is directed to those members of the new creation who are this side the vail. The Scriptural evidence in the light of recent events shows that the Lord began his reign in 1914. There the nations became angry. The World War, famine, pestilence and revolution followed. The due time for the Lord’s people to specifically obey this commandment is when they see and appreciate the time in which we are living. Speaking to his faithful followers, he in substance says: “Go tell the nations of earth this message. Tell them that the Lord reigns; that the first work of his reign is the dashing to pieces of Satan’s empire; that this work is in progress; but comfort their hearts with the message that the King of kings and Lord of lords comes to judge the people righteously and to give them all the truth.”

Knowing Solution — Tell It

The peoples of earth are in great distress and their rulers in much perplexity. They all see dreadful things coming, but do not know what is the remedy, if any, for such. The rulers have assembled in world conference after conference and have put forth their best efforts to establish peace and save the old order from complete collapse. In the light of the Lord’s Word we know they cannot succeed in this because the time has come for the old order to vanish and to be succeeded by the new. As the old order comes nearer and nearer to final collapse the distress of the people and the perplexity of the rulers increase. The Lord, however, has a complete and absolute remedy by which the desire of all nations and peoples of earth can be realized. That remedy is his kingdom of righteousness, and his reign will bring peace on earth and good will to men, happiness and contentment. The people ought to know about this. It is time for them to know.

Impossible to Tell Each Verbally

The Lord desires the world to have this message of reconciliation. He has committed to his faithful followers the privilege of delivering such message. Are you one of those? If so, joyfully obey the command of the Lord and tell them that his reign begun will establish the new world shortly so that it cannot be moved; that he will bring a stable and lasting government that will not only be free from revolution, anarchy, profiteers, deceivers, and defrauders, but bring health
and happiness, peace and joy; and all those who obey the righteous reign will be granted life everlasting in a state of happiness and perfection. His kingdom is not for a few brief years, but is an everlasting kingdom. Tell them, as he directs in this command, that he will judge the people impartially and with righteousness; that he will lead them into the full and complete truth; that he will lead the obedient ones over the highway of holiness and fill with boundless happiness every heart that loves and obeys him.

This is the message of the hour. It is a message of hope and good cheer. Every one who truly loves the Lord and appreciates the time in which we are now living will be anxious to tell it to others as opportunity affords. Those who do thus tell it with a joyful heart will be keeping the Lord's commandments.

It will be noticed from the text and the context that this message will bring joy to those who hear; and this, like other similar texts in the Bible, shows that there is great rejoicing to these who know and appreciate the Lord's reign. Remember, then, if you are a consecrated child of God you are a publicity agent for the King and his kingdom. Advertise it in every way you can.

How to Tell Each One

You have received a quantity of free tracts. Each one of these tracts gives a brief outline of the precious message from the Lord. It tells of the invisible presence of the King of kings and of his reign begun. Whether you are able to make a speech or not is not so important. Any one can carry the tracts to another. Get your territory, call at the home, hand in one copy of the tract to whoever responds, and speak a good word—something like this: You will be pleased to read this because it contains a message of hope of a better time coming. Pass quickly on to the next house. Then a few days later, under the direction of the class organization, go over your territory with the books and canvass the same people to whom you have delivered the tracts. They will recognize you. Their interest will have been aroused by reading the resolution contained in the tract as well as the other message, and then you can tell them that the books you have give a full explanation, with numerous Scripture citations, to prove that these things are true.

Get the message into the hands of the people. Encourage them to read; and as interest is manifested organize Bible study classes and help them to understand.

In doing these things remember that you are obeying the commandment of the Lord in bringing these good tidings of peace and salvation to the people; that you are binding up the broken-hearted and comforting those that mourn. "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him"—the last members of the body who deliver this message.

Zeal of Newly Interested

"Pardon me for writing this letter but it seems that I can't keep still any longer. I do want to give the Lord more of my time, and is there such a thing as preparing oneself to give lectures or to sell books? I am so interested in this work. I have a large family of children and teach them and read to them, but yet it seems I am not satisfied. My husband says I am crazy and have let the Russellites fool me, but I don't think so; I have learned so much out of my little green book, the 'Harp of God.' It is such a blessing. I feel at times as if I am not worthy of these blessings of comfort, that I must do something in return. As you see, my education is limited. What shall I do?"—Go.

Work That Shows Faith

"I am determined nothing shall hold me back if I can get out. Yesterday it was roasting hot, but I took my baby, who is very heavy to carry (as we never had baby buggies), and carrying literature and an umbrella together with another little fellow running along. I had to sit down when we were half way; for I thought I could never make it. But we got up again and started off and got there all in a sweat. But we talked a little
while first till we got cooled off before taking out the books. As soon as the lady saw the books she was ready to get one; so I was well repaid in more ways than one.”—Wash.

A Word In Season

“One worker reports following up a name turned in from the public lecture given by Brother Rutherford in P——. As the worker knocked at the door a lady came. The worker explained her mission, and the lady of the house asked her who sent her to the door. The worker replied, ‘The Lord.’ ‘How wonderful,’ said the lady, ‘I was just on my knees asking the Lord to send someone to me.’ Since then the lady has made a complete consecration and there are evidences that she is letting her light shine.”—Pa.

One Book Costs Too Much

“The opposition from clergy and people is intense, yet the work is progressing, though slowly, but none the less sure. The combination of Volume Seven, ‘Millions,’ and ‘Can the Living talk With the Dead’ sells easier than any other, even easier than the ‘Millions’ book alone. The ‘Harp’ is appreciated by almost all who read it.”—Canal Zone.

Six Ministers Take Bible Course

“More than thirty percent of those who buy the Harp Bible Study Course buy again when the course is done. Six ministers here have taken the Harp Bible Study Course and five of them have bought the entire set of ‘Scripture Studies,’ and one of them recently sold a set to a member of his church and said he thought he could sell more.

“The follow-up or recanvass work is best now; one worker the other day sold eight books in half a block that had been canvassed three times before, with four sales with the other three canvasses, making twelve books in half a block. The people in such territory are getting to expect the worker and have the questions ready to be answered by the workers, and sometimes have several neighbors come in to hear the worker explain the plan. Of course this takes more time but it’s worth while, for in our territory Millions Now Living Will Never Die is heard everywhere and even the preachers are mum; literally hundreds of people here say the Bible Students are right, and while the churches are losing in attendance, we are gaining.”—Ohio.

Felt Neglected

“One brother who is working the Italian district called on an Italian gentleman who acts as adviser for his countrymen, and as interpreter for them in court, etc., and is Deputy Sheriff of Jefferson County. He canvassed him for the Italian ‘Millions’ book. The man said to him: ‘How long have you known this?’ The brother told him how long he had known it. The man answered and said: ‘Why did you not tell me before?’ Then he turned to his son-in-law and said, ‘I am going upstairs to read this book; and if anyone calls, I am not at home.’ We heard afterwards that after he had read some, he hunted up an Italian Bible and is looking up the Scriptures as he reads.”—N. Y.

“Harp” Impressed Need of “Studies”

“Having been unable to engage in the service for some time, I rejoiced in the privilege I had this week of going out in the work again, if only for a short time. I made only two calls, but at each place took an order for a full set of ‘Studies.’ The two ladies lived next door to each other and both had finished the Harp Study Course and were eager for more. One said she could not read herself, but had her children read to her. The people seem to be really becoming convinced that the ‘Studies in the Scriptures’ contain the only real help and instruction to be obtained at this time.

“While canvassing in a small town near here where there was only one minister, I canvassed him without knowing who he was at the time, and when I had finished, he informed me that ‘he had read all those books, knew who the author was, but could
not recommend them to anyone as he was a minister himself.' I asked him for his reasons for objecting to the books. He hesitated, and did not seem able to think of a real good one, but finally said that Pastor Russell taught people to go on living any kind of life and they would be saved in the end, regardless, etc. I then mentioned several people in his town who had bought the books and were much interested, and asked if he knew them. He said 'Yes'; and I asked if he had noticed that those people were living such very sinful lives as a result of Pastor Russell's teachings. He said, 'Oh, no, indeed, they are very good people, but,—' he continued vehemently. 'do you know what those people are doing? They have left the church, and are staying at home studying Pastor Russell's books! And those books are driving people away from the churches all the time!' I agreed, and was glad he had at last expressed his real objection to the books."—Ill.

Large Scale Activities

"Tuesday, October 3rd, was declared to be Service Day by the workers. We agreed to canvass a country town about 33 miles from Philadelphia. We hired a large bus and left Philadelphia at 8:30 a.m. Forty were in the field; and we distributed about eighty-four books and took orders for twenty-six more. All enjoyed themselves; and we have agreed to have October 17th as another Service Day, canvassing another country town. This will take about fifty-five workers; and we intend to hire a complete trolley car and have our banner strung along the outside."—Pa.

Is There Interest?

"I have had nine years experience in the colporteur work. During this time I had a share in all the various features of the harvest work; but my greatest blessings and joys have been to call back where I sold books or to recanvas the territory. For instance: I am now canvassing a part of the field I worked a year ago. On this I found an elderly lady who had read the 'Millions' book. She took out her last money to purchase the 'Harp.' I called back one week later and she had read the 'Harp,' and stated, 'As poor as I am, I would not take $5,000 for the book.' The next house was that of a girl of 16 or 18, paralyzed on one side, mother deaf and dumb, too poor to pay for the 'Harp.' I handed them the book. The daughter had read the book. The mother stated: 'Mary loves the book so well we will pay for it.' Over a very small area of the territory I found five similarly interested ones."—N. C.

Sign of the End—Preached Unto All The World

"Some of my experiences among the German people have been of interest recently. One lady says they believe this in Germany and can tell when Abraham is coming back, and instead of attending church there, they are just studying the Bible and these books. Another wanted everything I had with me in German, and ordered two full sets, 6 Scenarios, 20 Booklets, and says she intends taking about $200 worth along with her to Germany next year. She attended our chart talks; and next time I called, I found her with Bible and books open and rejoicing in the knowledge she had gained so recently after many years of search.

"About two months ago I found a young lady ready for the Truth, and she has since made a full consecration and appreciates spiritual things; and now her husband is anxious to attend our meetings and is trying to arrange his business accordingly.

"Catholic are waking up, too; and it is touching to see the effort a few of them make to find the Scripture citations given in our literature. I spent two hours with one of them, and happy as she was I was happier still; for 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.' The happiest people on earth are those who are advertising the King and His Kingdom."—N. J.

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