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"Whatsoever thy Hand findeth to do, do it with thy Might."

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#### "I Will Save Thy Children."

THIS is a most precious promise; and in it God means exactly what he says. It lies upon the sacred page of the scripture in Isa. 49:25 It came forth from the mouth of the Almighty. Is it given to us for nothing or for a purpose? "No word from God is void of power"! Power for what? Power to accomplish in and for us the holiness which it calls for. Says the Lord, speaking through the prophet Isaiah: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isa. 55:11. "I will save thy children": Plead the promise, my brethren and sisters of Minnesota; plead, earnestly and faithfully plead this promise with your risen Lord. God says that it shall accomplish that which he pleases, and that it shall prosper in the thing whereto he sent it. And he sent it to prosper in the saving of our children. He sent forth this his word to "accomplish" their salvation.

All of this and much more is to be a joyful living experience in our lives. No longer let the promises of God lie unused upon the hallowed page; but appropriate them and learn for yourselves that they are a well-spring of life for yourself and your children.

It matters not how hard the little heart, how firmly in the bands of sin the little soul is held. Have faith for your children: the Saviour is "mighty to save". "Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered? But

thus saith the Lord, even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children."

✓ Home schools, church schools, and state schools are now a live issue among our people. And this message of the salvation of children and youth, and of schools wherein they may receive education by faith is a part of the "loud cry" into which the Third Angel's Message is now swelling. It is a sign that the coming of our dear Lord is near at hand. For we are told in the closing verses of the book of the prophet Malachi: "Behold I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

This is the message which is now going to the denomination and through the denomination to the world. Fathers and mothers, turn your hearts to your children and rest confidently upon the promise that God will turn their hearts to you.

If our schools are conducted in the simplicity and fear of the Lord the world itself will turn toward them and send their children to us for to be educated. This is all promised in the Bible. (Isa. 60). And when our lips are closed by the hand of persecution, souls will be saved by these children, who having learned the story of the cross in our schools will tell it to their parents when our labors are ended. ~

"Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem."  
P. T. MAGAN.

#### Christ Our Source of Strength.

IN every crowd that gathered about Jesus, there were souls hungering and thirsting for light and knowledge. The truths that came from the lips of the Divine Teacher were wholly unlike

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the traditions and dogmas taught by the rabbis. There was a freshness, a life and vigor, in his sayings; they came home to the mind with a clearness and power that captivated his hearers. God's workers are to learn the same manner of teaching. They are to bring to men truths full of fragrance, like fresh flowers from the garden of God's word.

Never think that even when you do your best you are of yourself capable of winning souls to Christ. You must cultivate the habit of discerning a power beyond that which you can see with human vision,—a power that is constantly at work upon the hearts and minds of men. When you approach the stranger, when you stand face to face with the impenitent, with the afflicted, the soul-needy, the Lord is by your side, if you have indeed surrendered yourself to him. Through the living agent he makes the impression on the heart. Your words must not be a mere parrot-like speech, but the expression of a personal experience. If you cheer hearts with words of courage and hope, it is because the grace of Christ is to you a living reality. It is God's likeness, not your own, that is to be impressed on the heart. But if the worker has not himself been refined and transformed, he cannot present the truth with a freshness, a power, that awakens responsive feelings in those who hear the word of life.

The advocates of truth must hide in Jesus. He is their greatness, their power and efficiency. They must represent Christ, love souls as he loved them, be obedient as he was, be courteous, full of sympathy. Let Christ appear, and self be hid in him. Now, as in the days of Christ, traditional prejudice, custom and fashion, have barricaded souls against the truth. He who presents the truth to others must in his own character give evidence of its transforming power.—*Gospel Workers*, p. 309, 310.

### Last Words.

HOW FRAIL, how uncertain is human life. We were forcibly reminded of the truthfulness of this statement upon the receipt of the last letter ever written by Elder D. P. Curtis in his official capacity as Conference Secretary to Brother Everest, the Conference Treasurer. The letter was written August 11, just four days previous to his death. All will be interested to read a

portion of these last words which show that this faithful old soldier was still trusting in his Captain, and also that he was hopeful of permanent relief. In speaking of taking treatment at the Sanitarium he says:

They are giving me vigorous treatment, and I hope that I may receive permanent benefit from it. The Sanitarium is crowded as never before in all its history, having about 700 patients. Brother T. S. Whitelock left on Tuesday, with his wife, for Colorado, the doctors having decided that she has the seeds of consumption sown in her system. I have met quite a number of our Minnesota boys and girls, while there are many whom I have not yet seen. I feel that I have much for which to be thankful to God. Hoping that you all in the office are sharing much of the divine blessing, I am, as ever,

Your brother,

D. P. Curtis.

His has been a useful life—crowded full of good deeds and good words, and like faithful Abraham, the Lord blessed him that he might be a blessing to others. His home had certainly been a missionary home as is evidenced by the fruit of his home life, nearly every one of his children, now grown to manhood and womanhood, occupying prominent positions in the work, and all, as far as we know, living out God's truth.

While these losses come to us without warning and with sadness, they are not without their lessons; remembering that "*We can make our lives sublime; and departing, leave behind us footprints on the sands of time.*"

L. B. L.

ALL the readers of the WORKER will be pleased to learn that Elder Hill who labored so long in Minnesota is still in the work of the Gospel ministry in the State of Nebraska. We clip the following from the *Nebraska Reporter*:

"Dear 'Reporter':—We write a few lines to let you know how the work goes forward at York. This is the county seat of York Co., and is considered a very moral town. It contains many churches but no saloons. The popular churches are supplied with able ministers and the people have great respect for, and confidence in them.

We have been here nearly three weeks, holding meetings every evening and twice on Sundays. Our congregations have not been large at any time, and last week they got very small. Last Sunday we introduced the Sabbath question, since which time the interest has revived again;

and last evening a good audience listened with the closest attention to a discourse on 'Elijah a Type of the Translated Ones'.

Some are deeply interested, and we believe they will be obedient to the truth. Brother Johnson and Sister McIntosh have succeeded already in securing about fifty subscribers for the *Signs* with a prospect of increasing the list considerably.

The daily paper gives us space for items, and all the papers speak favorably of our meetings. Sister Stella Lowrey, of Hastings, has been helping us for a week.

We are of good courage in the Lord.  
W. B. HILL."

Church Schools.

HAVE you read the brochure "Home, Church, and State Schools"? If not you should do so without delay. It is made up of extracts from the Testimonies, setting forth in distinct lines, the duty of our people in regard to the education of our children. These words from the Spirit of God should stir our people to activity.

The Lord has opened the way before the church in St. Paul, as we have tried to follow in the light. By the time this number of the WORKER shall reach its readers, a church-school will have opened in this city. We go forward trusting in God, and believe that we shall have his blessing in the salvation of our children.

Send 5 cents to Minnesota Tract Society and get this brochure. It is worth its weight in gold.

ELD. H. F. PHELPS.

A FEW thousand of my leaflet, "American Principles", are waiting distribution. It is the cheapest literature out, and contains principles of vital interest. If you do not have opportunities to distribute them, and can donate towards its distribution in the Twin Cities, your contribution will be thankfully received. Price 80 cents per thousand.

ELD. H. F. PHELPS,  
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Some Facts About "Gospel of Health".

1. It is our denominational health journal, hence essential to all those who wish to keep in pace with the whole message.

2. It is the busy man's health paper, giving in simple, concise form the things that he must know in order to get health and keep it.

3. Every mother needs this journal, for it will tell her how to preserve her own health and that of her children.

4. Ministers, Bible-workers, and canvassers want it because it contains instruction of the highest importance to them in their work.

5. Every live, up-to-date missionary worker wants *Gospel of Health* because it gives him month by month the latest and best thoughts of more than a score of our leading physicians.

6. It will give its readers this fall and winter the cream of the instruction given in the Sanitarium Summer School just closed. Baths, formentations, electricity, simple massage and other forms of treatment will be thoroughly discussed. Hygienic Cookery, and Healthful Dress will receive careful attention.

7. All the instruction will be *clear, concise, simple and practical* adapted to meet the wants of busy men and women.

8. *Gospel of Health* is clubbed with Minnesota WORKER at 60 cents for the two. If you wish to see a copy write for sample to *Gospel of Health*, Battle Creek, Mich.

HAVE you read the last two numbers of the *Missionary Magazine*, August and September? Each of these numbers are worth the price of the magazine for a whole year. The August number contains a fine picture of Elder C. H. Parker, wife and little girl which was taken just before they left Minnesota for the Fiji Islands. Many interesting and instructive articles will be found in both these numbers on home and foreign work. The September number contains a very interesting article on "Our Matabele Mission" from W. H. Anderson who was with Elder Tripp on the Mission Farm.



Topic Cards on the book of Genesis, 6 cents per set post-paid, to any address. Minnesota Tract Society.

We are pleased to note that the *Instructor* subscription list has increased nearly one hundred copies in Minnesota in the past three months, 639 are now coming to Minnesota. We hope the list will continue to grow.

Elder Davis, the Presbyterian minister who lately accepted the Sabbath truth at Maple Plain is spending a few days in Minneapolis and had the

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privilege, with the Minneapolis church, of listening to the stirring discourses by Professor Magan. Elder Davis was formerly a missionary to India. His wife is with him and they are expecting to go to Battle Creek to study more about the truths of God's peculiar people.

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Now is a good time to be thinking about canvassing for some of our excellent new publications for a holiday delivery. Thousands of dollars are spent annually by the people in buying holiday presents for their friends, the majority of which are useless presents and are made to sell by the manufacturer and not to be used. Are there not fifty Seventh-day Adventists in Minnesota who have a burden to help give the light to your neighbors, and at the same time put some money in your own pocket by taking some territory near your home and going out and selling some of our publications such as "Coming King", "Story of Redemption", "Christ Our Saviour", or "Steps to Christ"? Think about it, pray over it, and if God gives you the burden write to Minnesota Tract Society for terms.

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The Minneapolis church enjoyed a feast of good things Sabbath and Sunday from Professor P. T. Magan. He spoke twice to the church on Sabbath; his forenoon talk was replete with practical thoughts condemning sin in the flesh. In the afternoon he spoke again on Education, and the necessity of bringing up our children with the true principles of education, making the Bible the foundation stone. Eight hundred cards were printed and circulated in the city announcing the subject of the two lectures on Sunday, "The United States in Prophecy and its relation to the World". A goodly number not of our faith turned out at both these meetings and were intensely interested in the subject presented so ably. The love of Christ was so woven into the discourses that the strangers' hearts were touched and some precious seeds of truth were sown.

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A few days ago a well dressed, refined appearing lady stepped into the office and asked if we knew the whereabouts of a certain man whom she knew attended our church. When we could give her no information as to his whereabouts, although we knew him and he had been at church the Sabbath before, she then made known the fact that he was her coachman and had been for fifteen years, and that he had embraced our truth about two years previous in Washington, D. C. She had allowed him to keep the Sabbath as he was such a faithful man. He had informed her that he was going to leave her and his position, as he felt the Lord had called him to go out and devote his whole time to saving souls. But she could not understand why he should want to leave such a good position and go out to engage in a work with no visible means of support. She thought that he might not be in his right mind, and was so anxious about him that she paid the writer to send a telegram to Chicago to ascertain if he had gone there as he said he was going there. She afterward re-

turned and requested that one of us in the office should go to Chicago to find him, and it was decided that Brother Everest should go and she placed in his hands \$20.00 to pay his fare and \$10.00 to use in the cause in any way that seemed best. In her conversation she stated that if what he had told her was true of our belief we were the most peculiar people she had ever met. Immediately this text came to the mind of the writer, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a *peculiar people*; that you should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light; which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God."

Brother Everest has not returned from his mission and can not say what was the result.

"A great plant may spring from a very tiny seed of love."

"Without harmony in the home there cannot be the true music of happiness."

"To be haunted by regrets or neglected opportunities for kindness and courtesy is painful, but the very fact that we have regrets gives promise that when another opportunity comes it will be improved."

"To brood over mistakes and failings of yesterday is to throw behind us some of the strength that we need for to-days's work and striving."

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