

But I must close this too formal epistle. I often think of you, and the brethren in —, and could rejoice to see you all. You often come up to my mind, when I think of the consolations that the religion of Christ must bring to the aged. I often think of the desire to spend your remaining days in preparing for eternity, which you expressed when I was last in —. In the mean time, I hope you will do all in your power to encourage and build up the little band of brethren, among whom, in your pilgrimage, you have found a home. The Lord, no doubt, will bless you in your labours of love for His name. My prayer is, that your remaining days may be full of consolation, and that the sun of your life may go down in an unclouded sky.

Yours, in hope of an unfading inheritance.

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The labours of an Evangelist, whether he labours in Canada or in China, in India or Judea, in Europe or America, are always of interest. Every man on earth has a soul—every soul needs salvation—every saving influence comes from Jesus through the gospel—every truth which the gospel contains must be heard before believed or obeyed—and what is heard must first be spoken. Hence the importance of proclaiming the word. When Paul was a preacher, “it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe;” and Paul’s gospel is still the only safe remedy for the sin-smit soul.

Yes—all have souls, and all souls are precious; but there is a charity that seems to say,—“*My* friends, *my* relations, *my* neighbours, should have the gospel preached to them immediately. *My* vicinity is the place to preach first.” Such is the voice of a love, which, perhaps, may be warm in its own way, but which neither sees nor travels far. It is well for us all that a different spirit animated the subjects of the gospel primitively. If otherwise, the name of Jesus had never been sounded out of the narrow slices of country where his friends, and the friends of his friends, were born; and all the isles of the Gentiles had still been left to their own glory and idolatry.

Proclaimers now would not only require “the gift of tongues,” but also a multiplicity of tongues, to speak several discourses at the same time, with the additional peculiarity that some of them could be heard a hundred miles as perfectly as within common hearing distance.

My former Report sufficiently detailed my visits and efforts up to the