

He sends the bread to your house and the mouths to ours."

Pious sentences do not satisfy hungry mouths. The Bible gives the greatest possible prominence to the physical and social needs of men and to what should be the Christian's attitude to these.

Yet we must bear in mind that much help that is called charity is little better than wasted. Our aim in such relief must be not merely to bring comfort, but to produce character. By keeping that thought in view, we shall be discriminative in our charity.

Dr. Russell H. Conwell in his famous lecture "Acres of Diamonds," tells of being warned not to give anything commendable to a man who used to frequent mission halls and smaller places seeking assistance. One day he succumbed to a pathetic story told him and twelve hours later was taken to task by a judge for having furnished the man mentioned with the means for getting drunk. Valuable property was destroyed by a fire started through the drunkenness of which Dr. Conwell had unwittingly been the cause. No matter how kindly the motive, indiscriminate charity often leads to very much greater evils than those it seeks to alleviate.

Providing New Interests in Life

Then there are the many who, through their own or others' faults, have no inner resources, and who need guidance in profitably occupying