

graciously owned, is a manifest indication of spiritual de-  
 clension. "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to  
 another, and they shall be mine, saith the Lord, in that day  
 when I make up my jewels."

We are grieved to know that some of you, neglect, or hesitate  
 to obey our Lord's last command. We would earnestly exhort  
 you, to yield to the tempter no longer, but hasten, in humility to  
 unite with your brethren, in showing forth the Lord's death, "till  
 He come." While you love and reverence the Sabbath, God's  
 first institution, and regard it as binding upon man to the end  
 of time; seek also the grace that will enable you to observe  
 the day as to the Lord; then will it prove, as designed by its  
 author, refreshing to soul and body. Let the Sabbath School  
 have a large share of your attention; forward its interests in  
 every possible way. Be not discouraged because fruit is not  
 apparent. You work for God. Behold the husbandman waiteth  
 for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience  
 for it, until he receive the early and the latter rain. Read and  
 study the sacred page in order to ascertain the will of God,  
 respecting the use of earthly property. How small a proportion  
 of what God allows us to accumulate, do we return to him as  
 a thank offering, while many of his servants are straitened in  
 their circumstances, and various departments of his cause are in  
 a languishing condition? It is enough to make us blush to read  
 of the offerings of saints of old, to the cause of God. Shall we  
 with all our additional light and privileges, give less of our  
 income to the Most High? God forbid. Resolve at once to  
 find out your duty, and hasten to perform it with sincerity and  
 pleasure.

"If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing  
 if we shall reap your carnal things?" And while you sustain  
 those who labour among you, and are over you in the Lord,  
 forget not those who toil in the regions beyond; cultivate a  
 missionary spirit. Here you will find room for many precious  
 gifts, withhold not your sons and daughters, money or prayers  
 from this God-like enterprise. Have a share in every moral  
 and religious movement, to benefit our race. Encourage the  
 circulation of our wholesome literature. Every desirable Book

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