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Get ready for the holidays. This is addressed to Sabbath Schools a great many of whose scholars go away for long vacations in summer. Send to us for a sample of our VACATION CARD. It helps wonderfully.

Get ready for work. This is addressed to the Schools which close for the winter months. Now that the spring has come, do not lose a single day. Every day counts in the summer's work. Your staff of teachers, your Lesson Helps and Illustrated Papers—arrange for all these in setting the wheels moving.

Underneath

The sea is the emblem of might, measureless and majestic. With the same effortless ease it bears up on its broad bosom the gigantic ocean liner and the tiniest craft that floats. It carries the freight of continents from shore to shore. Every day there rests upon it the precious burden of thousands of human lives. Underneath loads too huge to be reckoned, the great sea places its buoyant waters. On these they rest and are carried to their desired haven.

But mightier by far than the sea, is He who formed its bed and whose hand stays the course of its proud waves. There is no limit to the strength of His arms. And these arms of omnipotence are "underneath" all those that trust Him. Like the ship floating on the upholding ocean, we may stay ourselves in the arms of God. Dark shadows may pass over us. Frowning foes may threaten. Difficulties and dreads may beset us. But tear us from His sustaining arms, none of these things ever can. Those arms will keep us in safety. They will carry us through all obstacles and dangers.

This is the secret of assurance and peace, to realize that this tremendous Ally is ours. The church filled with the throbbing consciousness that this resistless force is on her side, will move onward with the strength and quietness which are the pledge of perpetual conquest. The Christian worker, in a sphere however humble, who feels the grip of the conviction that this power is working with him, no task will make afraid.

Look Up

By Rev. John W. Little, B.D.

We need the upward look. When Lord Tennyson was asked, "What do you consider your most fundamental need?" he at once replied, "A clearer vision of God". Pardon, peace, power, the abundant life, all find their source and sustenance in God. And the nearer to God we draw, the richer our lives become, and the more useful. A deep knowledge of God gives strength to faith and granitic stability to character. If we are not sure of Him, we cannot be sure of ourselves.

But such knowledge means more than an intellectual assent to the teachings of the Bible. It is one thing to know of God, another to know God. If we are to have the growing vision that will mean growing apprehension of the mind of God, appreciation of His goodness, sympathy with His purposes, obedience to His will and participation in this very life, we must, not simply glance heavenward at our stated seasons of prayer and Bible study, but must maintain the attitude of the upward look through all our busy hours. We must live with the consciousness of God ever present with us as the molding