

various and not few. This is a blessing to the people who are brought to give and do, and a blessing to the world, while at the same time it is God-honoring.

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We would venture a few kind words to Brethren in the Ministry. They are but human, and therefore share in human frailty. We have often been struck with the great *difference* in the effects which characterize ministerial labors. One man spends his allotted time on stations, and all is *stationary*, or *worse*, when he leaves. No enterprise has been engaged in—no churches built—no preparations made for the future progress and higher ecclesiastical position of the cause—and no enlargement of Zion's borders. Little or no marks are left behind, that several years have been spent on the station by Brother A. or B. He has gone *his little round*, and left *no record of moment to be read, alas!* Another Brother leaves marks almost every where. The Missionary cause receives a new impulse; Sunday Schools are increased and worked; debts are lessened; churches and parsonages are built; and the denomination takes a position it has not taken before. Souls should be brought to Christ, but also arrangements must be made to keep them, and increase the number by needful enterprise of building operations, &c., that the Church may grow in power and effectiveness as years increase.

Dear Brethren, let us all "cleave to the Lord and to the word of His grace," living more in resemblance to Christ. If we do this, He will cause "His grace to abound towards us, that having all sufficiency in all things, we may abound in every good word and work." And, in view of the time when we shall finish life's work, and of the righteous reckoning that awaits us, may we all serve our day and generation according to the will of God.—*Amen.*

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