

and plan and power "by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." He must go in love, love for Him who first loved us, and love, such as His, for poor perishing souls. He whose soul is not stirred by the thought of men dying in darkness and blindness, and going down to the blackness of darkness forever; who does not weep with Jesus at the sight of the perishing, has no mission to the heathen. He may be gathered in himself, perhaps, but he will never know the joy of the reaper "bringing his sheaves with him."

*The Call.*—But, is every one who has these qualifications to go to the mission field? And, if not, how is he to know whether he should go or not? The silent cry of the heathen need is ever in our ears, the open doors in every direction are a standing invitation to enter in and possess the lands for Jesus, the incessant and urgent appeals of the men in the field are well-nigh irresistible, the manifest blessing of God on the labors of those who have gone at His call, put the thought of what must be left completely out of mind. Every one who wants to work for Jesus must have asked himself many a time, "*Ought I to go to the heathen.*" You ought to go, *if you can*, where there is most need, and where you can do the most for the Master. If the Spirit has "laid the heathen on your heart," and you are in heaviness of soul day and night with the thought of them, and if, in addition, you are in any measure qualified for the work, you certainly *ought to go, if you can*. Offer yourself for the work, and hold yourself at Christ's command. Say to the Master and to the Church, "Here am I, send me," and if it be the Lord's will *you* should go, He will open up the way before you. It is His will that the Gospel should be preached in all nations, and while this is so far from fulfilment the question should be, not "am I called?" but "*am I exempt?*" which would be an easier one to answer. There is always need for able and faithful men in the *home* field, but its most destitute places are better provided for than the most highly favored sections of the *foreign* field. The Churches of Christian countries must be aroused to realize the need and peril of the heathen, and there is no way in which this will be done so soon and so effectually as by large numbers of their own sons pleading importunately to be sent to preach the Gospel to the nations. "How shall they believe in Him of whom