

As ye have thus received the "Engrafted word which is able to save your souls," see that it "dwell in you richly in all wisdom." But be ye *doers* of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." All saving truth is practical in its tendency. It is not written, "Happy are ye if ye know these things," but, "if ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." Knowledge must not supplant duty. Nor can profession and resolves supply its place. Individual duty must be performed, or the work of grace will not advance. One of the leading features of God's peculiar people is their good works. Not only to his sent servants, but to every child in his family, the Great Master enjoins, "Go work to day in my vineyard." Yes, to day. Oh, how valuable our present privileges and opportunities! But how affecting the admonitory words of Jesus. "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

Brethren, "let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." But in order that you may, with cheerfulness and diligence perform your duty, you must enjoy the favor of our Heavenly Father. Unless the love of Christ constrain us, we shall certainly live to ourselves—

"Tis love that makes our willing feet
In swift obedience move."

Take care to cherish the influences of the Holy Spirit. Always kindly entertain the heavenly Guest, and he will abide with you forever. Then will the flame of love burn on the altar of our hearts with inextinguishable blaze. Then will the commandments of God not be grievous, and the duties of religion no longer be irksome. All will be done as to the Lord and not to men. We need scarcely remind you that the field is large, and the necessity for labor imperative. In the family, the neighborhood in which you reside, and in the Church, you can surely find your place and proper work. Let us call your special attention to the solemn responsibilities associated with domestic life. Does God entrust you with beings destined to an immortal existence, who must receive their impressions, for good or evil from you? Oh how anxious should you be to have them brought up in the nurture and discipline of the Lord.

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