

ing Him there, I find all the divine compassion of His heart.

The ear is the gate by which the christian receiveth embassages of the highest aims and holiest purposes, those which God Himself giveth for His own eternal ends, calling His people by glory and virtue; therefore the word of Christ, "take heed how ye hear."

BE IN EARNEST.

Love will infuse into every man the spirit of the Gospel, and will render him an evangelist in his own sphere. Let love to the Saviour—love for souls, be true and fervent, and it will naturally burst forth in earnest entreaties and exertions. It will appeal to souls, plead with them, lay hold of them, agonize for them. It will never forget that with them it is a matter of life and death—of ineffable eternal blessedness, or of unutterable eternal woe. And wherever the Gospel is preached, it will realize the future in the present, and raise the cry in the heart to the God of all grace, that not one soul may go away unimpressed, unblessed, unsaved.

Dear reader, it is true this work is God's work from first to last. Yes, but He will work through *thy* zeal and *thy* energy. Oh! then, let the flame of *thy* love be unquenchable. Be in earnest. Heaven is in earnest. Hell is in earnest. Be thou in deep, deep earnest. The Master wept over a city. Thou hast a world to weep over.