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"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God."
"This is love, that we walk after his commandments."

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EVANGELISTS—THEIR CALL, WORK, AND REWARD.

[The office of evangelist—his education, his ordination, his labor, his earthly reward, and every class of sympathy and aid he ought to receive, not on his own personal account, but to accomplish the object for which he is appointed,—is a subject deserving a larger amount of attention than it has hitherto received. Disciples should study this subject with the scriptures wide open, and not in the light of the practice of any people on earth, not even their own practice.—D. O.]

From the Gospel Advocate.

Our purpose is to treat the whole subject in a manner that will leave no doubt as to our teaching. We beg permission to suggest very respectfully, that we profess to have discovered no new light on the Scriptures of truth, and especially in reference to the gospel ministry; but we most conscientiously believe that many have erred, and are still disposed to err, on questions connected with it, and therefore we feel that there is a positive necessity for maturely considering the whole matter. If the denominations and many of the brethren of "This Reformation" inculcate theoretically or practically the truth on this subject, we will be forced to begin all our investigations of sacred literature, *ab initio*; but if we are right, the evils arising from current views and practices are too numerous for Christian endurance. But to the law and the testimony. If we speak not according to the divine oracles, we hope our brethren in kindness will point out our error. We desire very much indeed a fair understanding with all who fear God, and more especially do we pray that the people who profess to take the Bible alone as their only government, may really and truly see and practice