

scheme of Bible study. I am speaking to practical men and women, who are hard-working, who have little time at best ; but I do say to you, that even an elementary knowledge, in a general way, of the Word of God, will be of great helpfulness to you. I never realized more the value of a little study, and the falsity of that old adage, "A little learning is a dangerous thing," than a little while ago, when I saw 2,000 young people of the Society of Christian Endeavor of the city of Peoria, all being borne swiftly along in twenty or thirty electric cars propelled by means of a little trolley wire, along which travelled a little wheel—negativizing, repudiating and completely stopping the mechanics of my boyhood. I was taught that if you wanted to move a great load you must put a great engine at the head of it. Now, since Thomas Edison came into being, you can run it along a little wire no bigger than your finger, and it will move it just the same. It *depends*, whether a little learning is a dangerous thing or not. Some people think that great encyclopædias must be a pressure on the Sunday School teacher's knowledge. Not a bit of it. You get a little wise knowledge of the Word of God and it will be a director—it will be a sign-board. I don't mean to say that will be the end of it ; but when you come to the fork of the road, as Miles Coverdale's Bible calls it in one place, that little knowledge will be the finger-board that will show you which way to go. (Applause.) And so Normal study will help you greatly. Now I come to the last: Study the Bible *evangelically*. I don't know any other word to use, unless you use the word *spiritually*. Study the Bible, as was so beautifully said this afternoon, for the help that it will give you spiritually. Make it a spiritual power to yourself. I said something about comprehensive Bible study ; but I beg of you do not depend too much on these, merely as helps, sign-boards, finger-posts. They will help you ; they will wisely direct you ; they will guide you. It will be a Mentor to your Telemachus if you will consent to take some course of general Bible study, but don't depend on these.

After all, as Dr. Welton said this afternoon, the true spiritual power comes not so much from the incidental and general study as it does from bringing your soul and conscience and brain, and putting them in contact with the Word of God—then the power is generated. (Hear, hear.) While you are studying the geography of earth—and I want you to study it—I want you to locate Jerusalem and Cæsarea ; they have a wonderful charm for me. I never have gone to the Holy Land, but I want to ; but if I don't locate Jerusalem in the flesh below, in my Bible study, let me never forget to enter into the golden gates of the Jerusalem above. Study the Bible evangelistically, for use to some poor fellow. I wish I could speak a word to some young man to-night, or young woman, or boy, or girl, in this house, and tell you what a great thing the Bible is for you—taking you out of the streets, out of a life of sin and shame, out of much sorrow, turning you about, making you a plain, simple preacher, catching you up and