

becoming familiar with each other. We will be ashamed of our coldness, our want of sympathy and love for one another. When we get beyond this scene let us be able to sing :

We share each other's woes,
Each other's burdens bear,
And often for each other flows
The sympathising tear.

WE SHOULD LIVE TO SAVE SOULS.

Jesus Christ did so. Paul did so. So did the noble army of martyrs. If we maintain peace with God, a good conscience, and hope to hear by-and-by, "Well done," from the Master. Some have a call to preach. Go; wait not for college or council. Be sure you have a call and commission for our God. Go, preach to one, or a thousand. Men are perishing; tell them of the love and power of God; tell them what you know yourself of His power to save; tell them in the simple, earnest language of the Bible. Use every means; spread the Word of God—the Gospel Tract. Speak the kind word to the young, the erring, the hardened, the abandoned. Sow beside all waters. Invite to the house of God—to the Saviour; there are more waiting to be invited than you suppose. Go to the poor in their poverty; visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction; stand beside the sick; go to the house of mourning; open doors are everywhere for willing workers.

AGONY IN PRAYER.

The world will never be brought to Christ till the Church gives herself to prayer. We must spend time and strength in wrestling with God. The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

HELP THE GREAT MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

With your influence, your means, your prayers. Consecrate your sons and daughters to the work of the ministry. Encourage them to go far hence to the perishing heathen. "The harvest is plenteous, but the labourers are few." Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth labourers into His harvest.

GATHER IN THE YOUNG.

The Sabbath-school wants the hearty co-operation and support of the home and the Church. Train these children in the way they should go. Let your motto be, "Every one of them for Christ and glory."

To do our work successfully, we must consecrate all our powers to God, obtain the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and live under the unction of the Holy One.

SALVATION.

Every man needs salvation. Sin rules the sinner. He is led captive by the devil. The grace of God has brought salvation to all. None are too sinful, too vile, or hardened in crime to obtain salvation. It is offered to all, on the simple condition of accepting it. "Take the water of life freely." Multitudes reject it and perish, the time allotted to men to receive it limited and brief. The bed of sickness and death is not the place to obtain it, though it is possible that even there some may have found mercy.

But there are no pardons in the tomb, when the grave has closed over the body, the spirit is with Christ in Paradise or with the lost, doomed to an eternal death. It is no frivolous matter then to think about and care for our own salvation. Nothing should divert the attention of rational creatures from making sure of this. Business, health, pleasure, friendship, they are only trifles; grand impertinences in comparison.

This great matter may be settled, and men may be as sure that they have salvation as that we have an existence. We can *know* that we have eternal life. Nothing but absolute certainty will satisfy us on our dying beds, and nothing less should now. It is heart-breaking to witness the agony of the Christless soul when standing on the verge of the grave. But joyous to hear the songs of victory of those who have made their calling and election sure. Build on the Rock, for the storm is coming. Make haste, there is not an hour more to be spared. The dark night of death is coming. When sickness, pain, and weakness are upon you is not the time to be reconciled to God; and even these warnings may not be afforded. You may suddenly be called in the eternal world, thousands are every year. I implore you to decide the great question of your salvation; give yourselves no rest in sin, in enmity and alienation from God, yield your heart to Christ. Trust in the person and work of the Son of God. *Only trust Him, and you have salvation.* A grand future will open before you. There will be an object to live for, and dying will be going home.

"O what peace is there await,
There the tempests cease to roar,
There it is that those who hate us,
Can molest our peace no more.
Trouble ceases,
On that tranquil happy shore."

THE OLD, OLD STORY.

This is the old, old story,
Say do you take it in,
This wonderful redemption,
God's remedy for sin?

Do you at heart believe it,
Do you believe it's true,
And meet for every sinner,
And therefore meet for you?

Then take this great salvation,
For Jesus loves to give;
Believe and you receive it,
Believe and you shall live.

TO-MORROW.

I will to-morrow, that I will,
I will begin to do it.
To-morrow comes, to-morrow goes,
And still thou hast to do it.
'Tis thus repentance is delayed,
From one day to another,
Until the day of death is come,
And judgment is to-morrow.