was uttered. No one in the meeting could reasonably doubt that God is heard of those who enquire

of Him.

ere

and

s in

ion

ve-

uld ore this

n. iers

ere

the

the

the

and

ter

the

the

D. hed

the red

old

not

ich

art

con

ras

er.

less

ı.

Eleven o'clock service opened with doxology; invocation, Rev. Milton Addison; reading of Scriptures, Rev. J. B. Champion; prayer, Rev. G. W. Springer. After the offering had been taken and an Anthem sung by the choir, the Moderator made sympathetic reference to the illness in the home of Rev. W. C. Goucher, who had been appointed to preach the Association sermon. The alternate, Rev. G. W. Schurman, though having only a day's notice that he would be expected to preach the associational sermon, presented a timely and instructive discourse from Acts 2: 47, and I. Cor. 3: 6, 7, of which the fol-

lowing is intended to be and outline:

The purpose of an associational sermon is to stimulate the delegates in church work and enterprise; this is perhaps impossible with some church members, as they are no good whether home or away, but the churches are not apt to choose such as their representatives at associations. Each of the Scripture selections form part of the narrative of the N. T. church movement. The first, the Pentecostal movement; the second, the Reformation movement, which Paul spent 1½ years in preaching foundation doctrine, which among other things explained the relation between the workers, Paul and Apollis, and their works, planting and watering, this leading to the relationship to God, which determined this, so the theme born out of it is, God in the work of REDEMPTION.

I. God's method in the work. The result of that method was "He added unto the church daily such as were being saved," thinking about His method leads to the observation that His workers are in danger of taking one or two extremes, dependance on the instrument alone, or dependance on God and oblivious of the instrument. The latter is more frequently the mistake. The pastor's doctrine in that case is, Nothing is too hard for God to do, so let Him do it; the church practice is sure to corres-

pond, and a do nothing church the result.

When the text says, "the Lord added" it does not mean that it was done irrespective of agency, any more than when we say Flewelling & Co. cut a