

wishes to impart to others the blessings he himself enjoys. And your success will largely depend on what you are; for a living Christ an man is the best proof of the truth of our religion. Unfeigned Christian sympathy is the best of all instructors in the art of leading others to Christ.

"You will naturally do all you can to foster the study of the Holy Scriptures by encouraging their circulation among all, and by doing all you can for the Christian education of the young. Experience will, I have no doubt, satisfy you more and more that a mixed school like ours at Beyrout, which is open to pupils of all races, has advantages over one kept exclusively for Jews, in the facilities which it presents to the teacher for a full exposition of Christian truth, and for leavening his whole instruction with Christian principle. One point I specially press on you—viz., the importance of keeping your advanced pupils, after they leave school, as much as possible under your training and influence.

"At Beyrout you will not only be a missionary to the Jews, you will be also the pastor of an interesting congregation, containing all the English-speaking Protestants, whether British or American. The right discharge of your duties towards a flock, the members of which are drawn from various nations and different branches of the Church, will demand from you no common amount of care and tact. But the experience of your predecessors warrants me in assuring you of a warm welcome and much sympathy and encouragement from none in larger measure than from your brethren of the American Presbyterian Mission. . . .

"One word as to your discouragements. When the special difficulties of a Jewish Mission press on you; when few or no inquirers appear, and when they appear only to disappoint you; when year by year you see your pupils leave your school after careful religious training,

only to follow the religion and customs of their fathers,—still work on in faith and patience. You are but a servant: it is sufficient honour for you to work for your Lord. Put yourself simply as an instrument in His hands. Go forward with a profound conviction of your own inability for the work in yourself, with a firm belief in the power of the living Saviour to work through you, in His own time and in His own way, and you will learn the secret of a patience which nothing can weary,—of a peace which, under all circumstances, will keep your heart and mind by Christ Jesus."

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## MISSION RESULTS.

### THE ARMENIANS AND MOSLEMS OF TURKEY.

The City of Aintab, 100 miles north of Antioch, furnishes a good illustration of the present condition of Oriental cities in the character of its Moslem and Armenian population, and the results of Missionary work. In this city there are 30,000 Turks, all Moslems, with their sixty mosques, from whose lofty minarets their priests five times every day shout the call to prayer. There are 10,000 Armenian Christians, with their church edifice built centuries ago. They have their church service and Bible in the language of their ancestors, their priests and ceremonies, and have had them more than a thousand years. If you will look into their church as it appeared when the first American Missionary visited the place thirty years ago, you can form some estimate of the value of their Christian faith. There is an audience of perhaps a thousand men. The priests stands before the altar and reads the service from a prayer-book in the ancient Armenian language, which is probably understood by no one in the audience, and possibly he himself merely repeats what he has memorized from some other priest. The people know