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### How Women Help Christ's Kingdom.

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I stand amazed before the revelations of the last decade of years as to how a woman may help Christ's kingdom to come. What unused and unguessed resources have been lying hid that this "woman's work for women" has called out of their secret places and sent on missionary errands around the world! It is the dawn of a new day; and there has scarcely been a brighter since the angels made the Judean air thick with melody when Jesus was born. It looks, after all, as if the strategic point in warfare for this world's supremacy were the heart of a woman. That won, the family is won; and when "up goes the family, down goes heathendom." To secure a change of levels like this, to bring about the uplifting of womanly hearts, woman, surely, has peculiar adaptations. In this business, there are paths where her feet are already shown to be the swiftest: needs, she, by all odds, is the fittest to meet; ministries it has already been her abysmal joy to share. For this business, the Marthas and Mary's the Tryphenas and Tryphosas, the Phebes and Dorcasas must be multiplied as the drops of the morning.

The world waits for such women. The field opens, the hour strikes. Women of America, "beneath the cross or never!" There only can you be crowned and wedded. First, your hearts to Christ; then, Christ born in them, and a constant dweller there,

then forth upon your mission to find room for the gift of God in the great heart of the world. You can do nothing? You can do everything; you can give, and serve, and pray. You can give self-denyingly, you can serve lovingly, you can pray conqueringly.

The best example of self-denying liberality in the Bible is recorded of woman. The best example of loving service in the Bible is recorded of woman. The best example of conquering prayer in the Bible is recorded of woman. It was no great gift, no great service, no great prayer. The gift was a widow's mite; the service was the anointing of Jesus with a box of ointment; the prayer was a mother's prayer for a daughter possessed with a devil. But the gift and service and prayer were in self-denial, and love, and faith; and so, in the sight of God, they were of great price. Jesus never let fall such words of royal commendation as concerning these three women. Of the poor widow he said, "She has cast in more than they all." Of Mary, with her alabaster box of ointment, he said, "She hath done what she could." And to the praying Canaanitish mother, he said, "O woman, great is thy faith; be it unto thee even as thou wilt." O ye women, whether of affluence or poverty, whether of high place or low place, whether old or young, go at the call of Christianity and do your woman's work. There are treasuries of the Lord that wait your nites; there are alabaster boxes you may break for Jesus, if not upon him. There are daughters, O how many, this wide world over, in Christendom and heathendom, with evil possessions, whom you, by faith, may bring to Christ for healing."