

class meetings, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, the reading of the Book of God, and closet devotion, also family worship; all these means are necessary and cannot be dispensed with without endangering the soul.—Many of you are heads of families, and on you rests a great weight of responsibility. God expects you to train up your children in the way you should go, and if your example and precept be christian, a blessing will rest on the family circle. The Lord blessed Abraham's family for his sake.

We are sorry to reflect on the fact that some of our members though not immoral in conduct, appear as though they were yet under carnal influence. Some adorning themselves in gaudy attire and superfluous ornaments, instead of seeking the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which in the sight of God, is of great price. Others are light and trifling in their conversation, and sometimes mixing up uncalled for with those that fear not God. How can two walk together except they be agreed? "Come out from among them, and be ye separated, saith the Lord." And are not some so anxious and careful about worldly things that they do not scarcely ever attend the house of God, except on the Sabbath. And others occasionally make use of intoxicating drinks, through which we suffer reproach. We beseech you, brethren, to abstain from all appearance of evil, and exemplify the title which you claim—servants of God, that you may have your fruit unto holiness, and be crowned with everlasting life.

A word to you brethren who do but little towards the support of the Ministry; there are some among us in whose hands the Lord has placed much of this world's goods; by him we are held responsible for its use, and to him we shall soon be accountable. The Lord does not require of a man according to what he hath not, but according to what he hath. Let every man give as God has prospered him.

Our receipts are not equal to the disbursements, so that the Society is in debt many pounds, and unless a greater spirit of liberality is manifested among us the work of God cannot be carried on as it should, we hope the friends will duly consider the duty of giving, and abound in this grace also.

There is another important truth we wish to remind you of. The shortness of time, the time for getting and doing good; very soon our probation will end, then shall we render up our accounts and receive our reward. In view of that solemn event let us give all diligence to get and do all the good we can before the night cometh when no man can work.

And now beloved friends we are about to leave the Conference and come to you, if the Lord permit, to labor among you another year. We desire an interest in your prayers, that the Lord may bless and make us a blessing on our Stations, and that the coming year may be a season of great prosperity. We hope you will heartily unite with us in carrying on the work of the Lord. We need your help. Union is strength, and if we be one in heart and christian effort, Zion will prosper.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us, that his truth may be made known in the earth, and his saving health among all nations. Amen.

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