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PREACH THE GOSPEL



TO EVERY CREATURE



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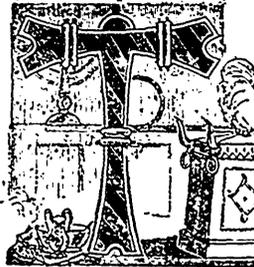
BE NOT WEARY
IN WELL DOING.

WE SHALL REAP



GATHER THEM IN

The Influence of One Life.



HE career of Samuel shows us the profound influence of one life. All Israel rallied about him as the common centre. To him all hearts turned for hope and counsel. As long as Samuel lived, men felt that there was no reason for despair. The influence of Samuel was felt from Dan to Beersheba. Everybody knew of him, and everybody listened to what he had to say.

The influence of his life extended even beyond death. Long after he had passed away, he continued to be a vital force in the world.

The influence was due to the fact that people knew that they could trust him. It was not simply because he was a wise man, but because he was pure and good and true. Men felt that Samuel was not living for himself, but for God and his fellow-men. Men believed in his honesty and uprightness. Men felt that in following him they were sure to be in the right track. It was this confidence in him, as a good man and God's servant, which made him a power over all hearts. Would we have any of this power, we must get it as Samuel did. Consecrating ourselves to God, and living holy and true lives, we too will wield a mighty influence while we live, and be longed for when we are gone.

May we, for, and in, and all through life, be so many individual illustrations of St. Paul's seven-fold desire as to "every good work."

May we—1. Be prepared unto every good work," 2. "Be ready to every good work," 3. Be "thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 4. "Abound in every good work." 5. "Being fruitful in every good work." 6. Stablished "in every good word and work." 7. Made "perfect in every good work."—Comp.