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## A WEEK OF BLESSING.

name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward." People in these days try to do too many great things. Are you willing to do the little things? The Lord will remember it. It is a small service to hand a cup of water to a poor disciple. You would forget it. But Christ says He will not forget it. Matthew 25: 40, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me." Mark 14: 8, "She hath done what she could." Are you going home to practice that? /Luke 21: 2, "He saw also a certain poor widow casting in to the treasury the two mites," equal to two-thirds of a cent. Jesus commended her above the rich men who cast in far greater gifts.

Now finally. I beg you to think of it. Rev. 12: 12, "Behold I come quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be." What shall be the test ? Faithfulness to Him. Read the parable of the talents in Matthew 25. When the Master called upon His servants to account, one said, "Master, thou deliveredst unto me five talents, behold I have gained besides the five talents more." The one, that had two talents, said "Master, I have gained two other talents besides this," And he addressed both servants in the same words, "Well done good and faithful servants . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Here are different degrees of gifts, but equally cultivated, the rewards are equal. In Luke 19: 10 to 25, the parable of the. ten pounds, the gifts are equal, but they made unequal use of them. One gained ten pounds, and him He made ruler over ten Another gained five pounds; he was made ruler over five cities. But the one who made no use of his gift, it was taken cities. away and given to him who made use of His gift. When our Lord descends from heaven with the shout of which we have been told this morning, and as His saints respond to that shout, and rise up and appear before Christ, to be seen in the air. He shall apportion our rewards according to our relative faithfulness to The poor washer-woman yonder, in that little hut, standing Him. all day over the wash-tub, with all the burdens of poverty, but saying meekly from day to day, "Lord Jesus, I do this for Thee," will be made ruler over a great many more cities than some of the most eloquent pulpit orators and the biggest theological professors in the country. Fidelity to Him is the rule and the measure of our reward. Now I want you to think of what sort of work you are doing. 1 Cor. 3: 11-15, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Now you are to put some sort of work on that foundat on. "Now if any man build, upon this foundation, gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; every man's work shall be made manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire."

If your work for the Master has been such that it has resulted