

good will to men," that we should be more than ever in earnest in sending those glad tidings of great joy to the peoples who "sit in darkness and in the shadow of death."

When we think of what the gift of God's dear Son means to us, and contrast our condition with that of those into whose hearts the light of the gospel has not shined, are we not filled with mingled feelings of gratitude and sadness? Millions are perishing daily without God and without hope in the world, and yet we do not speed the message of our King as we should. May God so bless us and show us our responsibility in this matter, that the coming days, and months, and years, may witness such work done for the Master by all our Auxiliaries, as we have never before accomplished.

Our great need is thorough consecration and an intelligent use of all our God-given faculties. There is not a member in any of our Auxiliaries to whom He has not given, at least one talent, and to many He has given more. Let us use these talents in His service. Let us strive to make our monthly meetings so interesting and so inspiring that many more may be led to come up with us to the help of the Lord against the mighty. If, at the close of the year, it could truthfully be said of every member of our Auxiliaries, "She hath done what she could," what glorious results we would have! May each one of us resolve, with God's help, to earn that commendation.

Wishing you all a happy, prosperous New Year,

I am,

Yours respectfully,

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HOME NEED.

If \$3,000 are really needed in our Presbytery for Home Mission work, why is it not forthcoming? When Jesus sent two of His disciples into the village for the colt on which He was to ride into Jerusalem, He said, "And if any man say unto you why do ye this? say ye, that the Lord hath need of him, and straightway he will send him hither."

We should remember when money is asked for this or that church scheme, that it is simply—the Lord hath need of it. And it should be to us a happy privilege to minister to His need—His cause. He does not ask of us more than we can give, but He does expect us to give as He has prospered us. Let us each see to it that we do not withhold what is His just due.

In this closing month of the year let us each honestly examine our account with the Lord.

What have we received from Him? What have we that we have not received from Him? And what have we done for Him and for His cause?

You remember that by the old Mosaic law the offering presented to the Lord was to be of the best of the flock and first fruits. Have our offerings this year been the best, both as regards quantity and quality? Surely no other offering would be an acceptable one to Him who is Lord