

cultivated for service, as every character also was to be perfected by instruction and discipline. Authorized *evangelists* were the first teachers of infant churches in *public instruction*, and "*from house to house*," as Paul, the apostle and evangelist, did in Ephesus, or others in other cases. Timothy, the evangelist, under the most solemn and awful charges ever addressed to man, was commanded to commit the teaching of the things which he had heard of Paul, among many witnesses, to faithful men, who should be able to teach others also.

As God required in the beginning he requires now, that every one shall come under special and full Christian instruction, under appointed and faithful teachers, and that talent shall be converted to his service. There were female teachers; but Paul would not suffer them to be teachers over men. They prophesied, or prayed, in the church; but, as to teaching, they were not permitted to speak. The aged women were commanded to be "teachers of good things," and to "teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of god be not blasphemed."

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GOSPEL INFANCY—GOSPEL MANHOOD:

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How many try to preserve the mere ideals of the new-born soul as the only heart-experiences of the true life of god, in the present state. This is a sad blunder—a sore mistake. It is like trying to preserve infancy or childhood forever—to keep the first startings of the soul forever in their germinal state. Certainly the memories of childhood are sweet. They are not to be despised—since "heaven lies about us in our infancy." Those happy dreams when our being is half asleep and half awake, are delicious, and beautiful as the morning glow of heaven, when the dew is upon the earth. But manhood, with its full strength, its large knowledge, practical experience, and power to triumph over circumstances and antagonistic forces is far better. And