

to reveal to your own soul somewhat of the fullness of His salvation? What is this salvation worth to you? In proportion as your appreciation of Christ grows, so will grow your desire to share this blessedness with others. Do you place His valuation upon things temporal and eternal? Have you that Christ-love, that Christ-yearning for lost souls that you would leave the ninety and nine that are safe, to seek over thorny paths the one lost?

Let us cease to talk so much about the "Lord's portion," dear friends. Rather let us feel that our time, powers, possessions, ourselves, are all His. Let us spend even that time and money which we must needs take for ourselves and our families "as unto the Lord"—as a part of necessary outlay for our life-service. And let us think of the distant workers and their needs with the same consideration we show ourselves. Has not Christ said that all needful things shall be added unto us? Shall we not take Him at His word, and prove this blessed Addition? From this example of Addition, given by Christ Himself, I think we may deduce the following equation: Consecration + Trust = Enthusiastic Service.

But Enthusiasm must be intelligently directed, so to it must be added information. This should always be definite, especially for young people. Give them the material from which to make their own statistics. Let them add together the cost of a dozen Bibles, the expenses of the colporteur to carry them to those who never had God's Word, and show them whether the amount is less than they have spent during the month in candy and ice cream. I have heard of a Home Missionary recruiting, through the kindness of a friend, at Saratoga, who wrote to his wife that he estimated the cost of one dress he had seen worn there as equal to that of one church building, plus a dozen cabinet organs, with as many Sunday School libraries added.

Subtraction should teach us to get rid of that which hinders us in our work. Selfishness is directly opposed to generous giving. Do not let the claims of Self reach such an amount that they cannot be put in the Subtrahend and there be always a Remainder for the Lord's work. Lead the young people out of their self-centered lives to act as well as sing: "None of Self and all of Thee." This is substantially the same lesson we learned from Addition, emphasizing an important element of Consecration: losing sight of Self in the all-sufficiency of Christ. If you desire a little exercise in Subtraction, look over the Annual Report of your Auxiliary and of the General Society. See on which side the balance stands and resolve that, so far as your influence goes, Receipts shall never have to be subtracted from Expenses. Subtract the number of converts from the population or