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Is It Right?

Under existing conditions of things I feel constrained to write a few lines upon the tithing question.

As I go from place to place I find many of our brethren not paying tithes. Some places nearly the whole church are not paying the Lord's tithe. How is this my brethren? Is the Lord pleased with this way of doing? No, indeed no. For He says, "Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house." Mal. 3:10. How much of the tithe does the Lord want us to bring into the storehouse? All the tithe. And He promises us a blessing if we do it; or, a curse if we do it not. Mal. 3:9.

Some seem to be ignorant upon the tithing question. For they say, "I am not able to pay tithe, or I am in debt and can't pay tithe until I get out of debt. After I am out of debt I will help some." An honest tithe is one tenth of our income. Suppose your income was 10 cents, one cent of that is the Lord's; if it is 100 cents, 10 cents of that belongs to the Lord. There is no man or woman too poor to pay tithe. We cannot take the Lord's tithe to pay our debts. To whom does the tithe belong? And what is the nature of the tithe? See Lev. 27:30. It is not helping the Lord. It is giving the Lord His own.

To whom does this world belong? See Ps. 50:12. Whose cattle are those upon a thousand hills? Ps. 50:10. Whose fowls and wild beasts are those we see flying in the mountains and roaming in the forest? Ps. 50:11. Whose fruit and grains are those that we see growing in the fields? Eze. 16:18,19. To whom does the gold and silver of the world belong? Haggai 2:8. To whom has God committed the care and keeping of all these things? The answer is, to His servants. What are His servants doing with them? Did we make any part of the earth? Can we make the sun to shine? Can we make the seasons? Can we make the rain? Can we make the seed and can we make it grow? The answer is no! Then the Lord furnishes the earth, the sunshine, the rain, the

seed and makes it grow and bring forth. All man can do is to prepare the ground, plant the seed, cultivate it, and reap the harvest. And out of it the Lord says the tithe (tenth) is mine and it is Holy. Will we give it?

Suppose I rent a farm from Bro. Jones. I plow the ground and plant the crops, harvest them and sell the products for cash; and then I see Bro. Jones, and I say to him, Bro. Jones, I can't pay you any rent, I am too poor, or I am in debt. As soon as I get out of debt I will begin to pay you rent. How long do you think I would get to keep the farm? What would Jones say about me, and what would you say about me?

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings." Mal. 3:8,9. Brethren shall we continue to rob God? If we do, the curse will rest upon us, but if we return to God His own we are promised a blessing. Let us prove Him once, by bringing all the tithe into the store-house. Will we do it?

T. GODFREY.

A UNITED EFFORT.

TO SCATTER TRACTS LIKE THE LEAVES OF AUTUMN.

In the Review and Herald of December 9 is an important article by Elder Daniells on behalf of the General Conference Committee, introducing a great tract campaign for the present winter. Four special tracts are being issued as leaders for this movement. Their titles are, "What Do These Things Mean?" "Signs of Our Times", "The Second Advent of Our Lord", and "The Gospel Remedy for Present Day Isms: Spiritualism, Hypnotism, Christian Scientism, and Higher Criticism."

These tracts, as indicated by their titles, deal directly and plainly with the vital features of the Message. They take up the trumpet and tell to the world the glad message that Jesus is coming in the clouds of heaven, and that the Signs of the Times show that His coming is near.

PLAN OF WORK.

It is the design of the General Conference Committee that this effort should be world-wide, and that every Seventh-Day Adventist should take an active part in it. There was a time several years ago when our tracts were sold in large editions of hundreds of thousands, when every church was astir, and all the people seemed to carry the burden for souls.

Tracts were scattered, Bible readings were held, and in many places this work was followed by Gospel meetings conducted by lay members in halls and school

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houses; and one of our ministers recently remarked that at that time nearly every church in his state had a great revival, and many were added to the church.

We call for a renewal of that universal effort. The church needs it for its own upbuilding, and an unwarmed world, still in darkness, cries mightily to God and to us for the light. God speaks to Israel saying, "Go forward." A few cannot do the work. All Israel must march in order when the cloud lifts and directs the way. (See Numbers 9:15-23.)

THE PUBLISHING HOUSES.

We believe that every publishing house in the denomination will bring out these special tracts, and use all their strength in advertising and pushing them. Copies will be sent to them for this purpose as soon as possible.

STATE AND UNION CONFERENCE PAPERS

can advertise the tracts, publish reports and plans of work, and assist the Review and Herald, the Signs of the Times and other general papers in their effort to carry this campaign to every home and into every heart.

CONFERENCE LABORERS

can take up the work, and advertise the tracts from the desk, and organize the people for work. Thousands of people are ready to work, but hardly know where to begin. Place the work in their hands and show them how to work.

TRACT SOCIETY OFFICERS

can correspond with church librarians and isolated members, and help them get started. In fact the success of this movement will depend largely upon the earnest, enthusiastic leadership of the tract society officers.

A SUGGESTION TO CHURCH OFFICERS.

The officers of each church should meet together, and devise plans for a definite campaign to revive the tract and missionary work. Should not the old time Tract Society meetings be revived, with their songs about work, their prayers for the work, and their reports of the work done? We believe they should. Let us all pray for a revival of good old methods.

SUGGESTIONS TO CHURCH LIBRARIANS.

1. Begin the tract work yourself with that earnest enthusiasm which you wish to see in all the members of the church. Your experience will give power to your words as you persuade others. Remember that the work in your church is not dead while you are working.

2. Counsel with the church officers frequently, and divide your work with them. This good work *multiplies* as you *divide* it.

3. Talk the work to every brother or sister or child you meet. Pray for its success constantly. At church, at home, and on the street, keep up the agitation. Say as did the prophet, "for Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."

4. Set yourself a definite task, to place some work, even though it may be very small, in the hands of every member of the church. Much of this effort must be private, individual work; but in no other way can you accomplish so much. One tract given away each week is much better than no work. This little work will lead

to more. Plant a little seed, and it will grow if it has the life. This kind of personal work can be done without great ability. Let this be our motto,—

Something for each one to do.

These tracts will be ready by Jan. 1, when the Christ's Object Lesson work is supposed to be finished. Now is the time to organize and plan for the tract campaign.

E. R. PALMER, Secretary,
Gen'l Conf. Pub. Dep't.

Report of Church School Work.

When my last report was made, I was taking a trip among the Church Schools, and was then stopping at Fellsburg. From this Church, I went to Shaffer to visit the Otis School, which is taught by Bro. J. F. Harder in a farm house, three miles north of Shaffer. I found this school doing good work, and although the recitations were conducted in German, I knew by the way the children entered into their work that there is a lively interest on the part of all. There are 22 pupils enrolled, a large per cent of which are in the advanced grades. This school has not been selling Life Boats as some of the schools in the cities have, but Friday afternoon was spent in a missionary meeting, in which all were interested. Every week, these young people are sending out a large club of German papers to their interested friends.

Wellington is the next school on the list. A good feeling prevails for the work of the children. Several families from neighboring churches have, this winter, moved to Wellington for the purpose of sending to the school. The teacher Bro. Hiatt, is sparing no means to make the work as interesting as possible. During November, the children sold 100 Life Boats, and several copies of Good Health, and the Signs.

After my visit at Wellington I went to Thayer where we had a very interesting Sabbath-School Convention. Through some mistake, the programme for the convention was not received until the Tuesday before the time appointed; but deep interest in Sabbath-school work, caused each to take hold cheerfully, with the parts assigned them which made the Convention a success. On Monday after the convention, I had the privilege of visiting the Church School. Although the accommodations are not so great as we would expect to find in a public school, they are much better than our fathers had, and is an improvement over last winter, as the school is in a building of our own, located in a nice quiet place at the edge of the city. The Lord is blessing the brethren and sisters for the sacrifice they are making to maintain a school for the children.

From Thayer, in company with Bro. McReynolds, I returned to Topeka to attend the meeting of the Conference Committee, where it was decided that I should spend some time in Cloude County with Bro. Brown. I remained here until after the Week of Prayer.

Before going west, it was thought best to answer the calls from Atchison to visit their school. I find an enrollment of 32, and a good daily attendance. This school, like others, is becoming much interested in practical missionary work. They have been distributing papers, and tracts, and selling Life Boats, Object Lessons, and Best Stories. We are glad to see so many interested in missionary work. The Lord is preparing an army of Children and youth with which to make a final

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charge, and bring the "reign of sin to an end." In almost all the schools, there is a large class of young people who have advanced beyond the Church School grade. As I saw the teachers trying to do both Church and Intermediate grade work, my mind was impressed with the needs of schools established for those in advance of the Church School grades.

B. E. HUFFMAN.

Junction City.

The work is onward here, and some sheaves are being garnered although the weeds are tall. Our Sabbath-School numbers now about twenty, of which about half are children. Some of these are from homes where the parents are not Sabbath-keepers. Yesterday a girl, ten years old, whose mother is a Methodist, came to Sabbath-school early, because her father and brother had gone to work, and her mother had gone up to town. So we had a little chat before any one else came. I asked her if her mother attends Sunday-School. "No," she said, "not much any more; mama thinks that the Seventh-day is the right day to keep." "Do you think so too?" I asked. "Yes," was the answer. Then I asked if she goes to Sunday-School. "No," she said, "I don't care to go to Sunday-School any more; I would rather come to Sabbath-school. Mama wanted me to go to Sunday-school too, but I don't care to go." After Sabbath-School she asked for a book to take home and read, so I gave her "Easy Steps," also some tracts and papers for her mother. So we see that the Lord will impress his truths even upon young minds, and they may be the means of influencing the older ones.

I have lately started a series of packages among the Swedish-speaking people. They seem to enjoy reading the tracts, and some are inquiring about the truth, and asking for more public meetings. These meetings will be started again, as soon as a meeting-house can be procured. At present we are holding the Sabbath-School and other meetings in private houses, but a regular meeting-house is needed. The Object Lessons work and Bible work is also carried on in connection with the other work. Remember the work here in your prayers, that the light may shine brightly even in this dark place.

Jan. 4, 1903.

J. EMIL ANDERSON.

A Report.

Since my last report I have been more free to engage in the interest of "Christ's Object Lessons" work. I visited the Eureka church and found they had done very well considering all circumstances. Next, I met with the Severy church; held three meetings with them and the brethren and sisters felt encouraged and took fourteen more books making in all about 160. Then I went to Lowe where I spent most of the Week of Prayer, while there are but few, yet we had good meetings together.

Friday I went back to Humboldt and spent Sabbath and Sunday. They held the election of officers for the ensuing year; Bro. A. Hack was elected elder. Bro. Howard deacon, and were ordained Sunday night at the close of the meeting. The church at Humboldt now numbers 32, some of my wife's Bible readers are keeping the Sabbath and desire to unite, but could not be present on account of sickness.

I am now with the Independence church to remain over the Sabbath and hold quarterly meeting. Wife and I expect to start a meeting at Altoona Sunday night, January 4th. Pray for success.

I. G. KNIGHT.

Kansas City.

Perhaps a few lines concerning the work in Kansas City would be of interest. Soon after the State camp-meeting, I took up the work in Kansas City in the interest of the Object Lesson movement. The Lord has wrought with us, and much good has been accomplished. On Sabbath November 29, four precious souls were added to the church.

Among other things we have succeeded in the completion of the Kansas City Church building and it was dedicated December 21st. The work of finishing the house has been some considerable expense, but the members have done nobly and the bills are all provided for. To the Lord be all the praise.

The colored work is progressing nicely. Steps are now being taken to provide them a suitable place of worship and we believe it will soon be accomplished. Let us all be true and loyal servants of God, for such, the times and message demands.

C. A. BEESON.

Asleep in Jesus.

Miss Pearl E. Nordyke, aged 22, daughter of Ben R. Nordyke, manager of the Kansas City Office of the Pacific Press Pub Co., fell asleep in Jesus at 10 A. M. Jan. 7, after an illness of six months with acute peritonitis. She was a great sufferer, but the Lord gave her patience, and a perfect trust in Him.

The funeral took place Thursday afternoon from the family home, 421 Landis Court, Kansas City. Burial was in Union Cemetery. Services were conducted by Elder J. M. Rees, Pres. Missouri Conference. The parents and family have the consolation of knowing "blessed are they which die in the Lord, and that hath part in the first resurrection" to meet the Lord at His coming.

Obituary.

MORSE.—Died at his home in Manhattan, Kans., January 5, 1903, Archia Morse, aged 36 years, 8 months, 6 days. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn, but not as those who have no hope of meeting their loved ones in the first resurrection. Bro. Morse accepted this Truth, which he held so dear, in the year 1895. He died in faith, believing in the soon return of our Lord. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, based on Rev. 14:13, the text chosen by the deceased.

N. B. EMERSON.

Special Notice.

Those who are going to the General Conference and any others who are going to California, or to any Pacific coast points, are invited to correspond with the undersigned. It will pay you to do so if you can arrange to go about March 20. Let us hear from you soon if you desire to join the party going from Kansas.

C. McREYNOLDS,
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Those New Tracts.

We are glad to announce that although the Review and Herald Publishing plant has burned out, yet the new tracts prepared for the Special Tract campaign will be out and ready for use next week. The first two entitled "We would see Jesus" and "The Signs of our Times" will be ready first. They are 16 page tracts and cost but one cent each. Many will want one thousand, nearly every body can use and will want one hundred, and one who loves this truth and will do anything to help to spread it will not want less than ten.

Send your orders in at once. We have already order for many. We should use in this State not less than 200,000 of each of these four tracts. They contain the message for the whole world. We must simply rise up and give it. Let your orders come in fast. Order of the Kansas Tract Society.

C. McREYNOLDS.

Humboldt Sabbath School Convention.

We had a very interesting and I hope a profitable Convention December 6; Eld. Russell was with us and of course helped to make it so. We followed the program sent us quite freely. We had some excellent songs on the subjects presented, and when we took up a collection I had three little ones sing "Hear the pennies dropping."

The young folks took part by reading papers. I send you a sample, one little child spoke "Don't you think I'm big enough to be a Missionary?" I enjoyed the Convention so much and so did all who were present and asked "How often do you have these Conventions?"

Yours lovingly,

CARRIE KNIGHT.

The Week of Prayer at Oswego.

Although a minister could not be with us, the Week of Prayer was observed by the Oswego church; meetings being held every day. Bro. L. J. Lindstrom conducted the exercises. After prayer service in which nearly every one took part, the reading was read by one previously selected by the leader. We then had a spirited testimony meeting and I think it was the verdict of all that this was the best Week of Prayer ever enjoyed, from which we go forth with a sincere desire to be used in the service of the Master "until He comes."

LETTIE BROCK.

Report of Colporteur Work for two Weeks, Ending January 2.

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Mrs. S. E. Shaffer, Hort'n														21	11.06
J. W. Wilson, Moline,		51			1						26	27	12.50	113	185.55
Blanche Wilson, "														87	65.25
Mary I. Steele, Preston		25	10								3	3	7.00	16	13.00
Mrs. J. G. Hill, Lawrence														16	11.75
N. G. Wells, Kinsley,		20	12						5		1	6	25.25		
No. Canvassers, 7.		136	22		1			5		30	36		\$44.75	173	\$140.61

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