

A Remarkable Dream



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Introduction

Last night some counsel was brought to my attention. The counsel was given to Ellen White in 1875 concerning the advancing of present truth. Within this counsel there is found several elements that I have been seeking to advance over the past 7 years. The importance of the publishing work is central to our advance. Tracts and smaller booklets are to be given away freely and scattered like the leaves of autumn. Men are to be trained to share the books to advance the work.

The instruction given to Ellen White was that larger books should be sold. It has been my policy to provide all materials freely to this point. In order to establish the canvassing work, I knew this policy would need to change. The time for change is now.

This is the new policy I will adopt from this point forward.

Larger books of 140 pages or more are to be sold for a price. This includes the following books:

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| 1. Agape | \$14.95 |
| 2. Life Matters | \$14.95 |
| 3. Theos | \$14.95 |
| 4. Return of Elijah | \$19.95 |
| 5. My Beloved | \$11.95 |
| 6. Divine Pattern | \$11.95 |
| 7. Comforter | \$12.95 |
| 8. Dominion and Destiny | \$11.95 |

The following books are provided on a donation basis. The target area is between \$8-\$10 but this is only a suggestion.

1. Identity Wars
2. Acts of our Gentle God
3. Medicine for the Soul

4. Key to Empowering the Third Angels Message

All publications under 80 pages are to be offered freely to people. Primarily:

1. The Wisdom of God
2. Original Love
3. Divine Pattern of Life
4. Cross Examined and Cross Encountered
5. The Power of Forgiveness

In accordance with the counsel below we are calling for people to step into part time and full time positions in canvassing these books with the public. Your qualifications will be the combination of your love for the message and your love for souls.

As people pioneer canvassing methods in sharing these materials, we will make these different canvas scripts available. Within the Divine Pattern, the channel magnifies the source in determining its own canvassing process. It can't be a top down process to work effectively. Each person is under the direction of God to be guided as to how best share these books.

I invite you to read the dream that Ellen White received below. A number of these points have been implemented. We are at the stage of calling for part time and full time Canvassers to spread this message. Will you answer the call?

Adrian Ebens

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Several speakers had addressed large and attentive congregations at the camp meeting at Rome, N. Y., on first-day, September 12, 1875. **The following night I dreamed that a young man of noble appearance came into the room where I was, immediately after I had been speaking. This same person has appeared before me in important dreams to instruct me from time to time during the past twenty-six years.** Said he, [1] **You have called the attention of the people to important subjects, which, to a large number, are strange and new. To some they are intensely interesting.** [2] The laborers in word and doctrine have done what they could in presenting the truth, which has raised inquiry in minds and awakened an interest. [3] But unless there is a more thorough effort made to fasten these impressions upon minds, your efforts now made will prove nearly fruitless. [4] Satan has many [4a] attractions ready to divert the mind; and [4b] the cares of this life, [4c] and the deceitfulness of riches all combine to choke the seed of truth sown in the heart, and in most cases it bears no fruit.

In every effort, such as you are now making, [5] much more good would result from your labors if you had appropriate reading matter ready for circulation. [6] **Tracts upon the important points of truth for the present time should be handed out freely to all who will accept them, without money and without price, which might eventually result in a hundred fold returns to the treasury.** You are to sow beside all waters.

[7] **The press is a powerful means to move the minds and hearts of the people.** And the men of this world seize the press, and make the most of every opportunity to get poisonous literature before the people. If men, under the influence of the spirit of the world, and of Satan, are earnest to circulate books, tracts, and papers of a corrupting nature, **you should be**

more earnest to get reading matter of an elevating and saving character before the people.

There should be more earnest efforts made to enlighten the people upon the great subject of health reform. [8] Tracts of four, eight, twelve, sixteen, and more pages, containing pointed, well-written articles on this great question, should be scattered like the leaves of autumn. [9] **Small tracts on the different points of Bible truth applicable to the present time should be printed in different languages and scattered where there is any probability that they would be read.** God has placed at the command of his people advantages in the press, which, combined with other agencies, will be successful in extending the knowledge of the truth. Tracts, papers, and books, as the case demands, should be circulated in all the cities and villages in the land. Here is missionary work for all.

[10] There should be men trained for this branch of the work who will be missionaries, and will circulate publications. [10a] They should be men of good address, who will not repulse others or be repulsed. [10b] This is a work to which men would be warranted to give their whole time and energies as the occasion demands.

[11] **Those who distribute tracts gratuitously should take other publications to sell to all who will purchase them.** Persevering efforts will result in great good. Very many souls have been converted to the truth by reading papers and tracts alone, who would not have been reached without them. God has committed to his people great light. This is not for them to selfishly enjoy alone, but to let its rays shine forth to others who are in the darkness of error.

You are not as a people doing one-twentieth part of what might be done in spreading the knowledge of the truth. [12] **Very much more can be accomplished by the living preacher with the circulation of papers and tracts than by the preaching of the word alone without the publications.** The press is a powerful instrumentality which God has

ordained to be combined with the energies of the living preacher to bring the truth before all nations, kindreds, tongues and peoples.

Many minds can be reached in no other way. Here is true missionary work in which labor and means can be invested with the best results. There has been too great fear of running risks, and moving out by faith, and sowing beside all waters. Opportunities have been presented which have not been grasped and made the most of. There has been too great fear of venturing. True faith is not presumption, but it ventures much. Precious light and powerful truth need to be brought out in publications without delay. [13] **There is much lost in waiting to originate matter while there is already in print that which is valuable and appropriate for this time.** These delays risk too much. Opportunities are lost which might be improved. Said he, Your husband and yourself can do much in the preparation of publications. You have a better knowledge of the wants of the people than many others. God has brought you in close connection with himself, and has given you an experience in this work which he has not given many others.

He has connected you with this powerful agency--the publishing department. Others cannot take your place in this, and do the work God has appointed you to do. Satan has been making special efforts to discourage your husband by controlling the minds of some who ought to be helpers. They have cherished temptations. They have been murmurers, and have been jealous without cause. God will not leave nor forsake his servant while he clings by faith to his wisdom and strength. He has upheld him through the ministration of angels that excel in strength. His strength has not come from natural causes, but from God. He will be beset with the enemy on the right hand and on the left. Satan will lead the minds of some to be distrustful of his motives, and to murmur against his plans, while he is following the leadings of the Spirit of God. In God he must trust, for he is the source of his strength. The enemy, through agents, will harass and vex his patience, for the infirmities of human nature are upon him, and he is

not infallible. But if he clings in humble confidence to God, and walks softly before him, God will be to him a present help in every emergency.

Your husband must not be discouraged in his efforts to encourage men to become workers, and responsible for important work. [14] **Every man whom God will accept, Satan will attack.** If they disconnect from Heaven, and imperil the cause, their failures will not be set to his account or to yours; but to the perversity of the nature of the murmuring ones, which they would not understand and overcome. These men whom God has tried to use to do his work, and who have failed, and brought great burdens upon those who were unselfish and true, have hindered and discouraged more than all the good they have done. And yet this should not hinder the purpose of God in having this growing work, with its burden of cares, divided into different branches, and laid upon men who should do their part, and lift the burdens when they ought to be lifted. [15] **These men must be willing to be instructed, and then God can fit them and sanctify them, and impart to them sanctified judgment, that what they undertake they can carry forward in his name.**

Your husband must be humble and trustful, and walk carefully and tremblingly before God, for the ground whereon he treadeth is holy. God has strengthened him for great emergencies. He has given him strength, and light, and power like a running stream. This is not of himself, but of God. He has an inexhaustible fountain to draw from. He must not forget that he is mortal, and subject to temptations, and weariness. His mind should have periods of rest, which will result in great good to himself as well as to the cause of God which he represents. He can with a mind invigorated do a greater amount, with greater perfection, than he can accomplish by steady labor and constant effort with a wearied mind.

[16] **Eld. Andrews is God's chosen servant to do a special work; but he made a mistake in keeping the Sabbath History from the people in order to present a perfect work, [16a] and in allowing his mind to be diverted from the work God would have him do. He should have given this**

important work much sooner, and then improved it as he could do so. The enemy has been permitted to gain a march upon us in consequence of long delays on our part. He will throw hindrances in our path, and if we will be hindered he will exult. [17] **Long delays must not be permitted. Satan must be met in his bold advances, and be repulsed.**

Eld. Haskell has done a good work in the tract and missionary department. He needs to ever connect closely with Heaven, that he may be led and taught of God. He has made some mistakes, but not intentionally. His zeal and concentrated efforts in one direction led him to lose sight of other important considerations. [18] **He has pressed the subject of giving means in some cases too far. Some of the poor have done more than they should, while those who have been entrusted as God's stewards with a large amount of means, have done but little.** God's servants must discriminate, and work cautiously, judiciously, and ever give right counsel to the liberal, conscientious souls who are poor. God will have his servants connect so closely with him that they may have the mind of Christ.

Ellen G. White.

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