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RESULTS OF THE WORK

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Through the work for the relief of our schools a fourfold blessing will be realized,--a blessing to the schools, to the world, to the Church, and to the workers themselves.

While funds are gathered for the relief of the schools, the best reading-matter is being placed in the hands of a large number of people who, if this effort had not been made, would never have seen "Christ's Object Lessons." The lesson drawn in this book from the parables of our Saviour will be to many souls as the leaves of the tree of life.

It is the Lord's design that "Christ's Object Lessons," with its precious instruction, shall unify the believers. The self-sacrificing efforts put forth by the members of our churches will prove a means of uniting them, that they may be sanctified, body, soul, and spirit, as vessels unto honor, prepared to receive the Holy Ghost, which God will impart. . . .

As they carry this book to those who need the instruction it contains, the workers will gain an experience of the greatest value. This work is a means of education. Those who will do their best as the Lord's helping hand to circulate "Christ's Object Lessons," will obtain an experience that will enable them to handle our larger books, which the people need so much.

All who engage in this work aright, cheerfully and hopefully, will find it a very great blessing. The Lord does not force any to engage in His work, but to those who place themselves decidedly on His side, He will give a willing mind. He will bless all who work out the spirit which He works in. To such workers He will give favor and success. . . .

This effort to circulate "Christ's Object Lessons" is demonstrating what

can be done in the canvassing field. To ministers, teachers, students, fathers, mothers, young men and young women, who have engaged in this work, I would say, After the immediate necessity is met, do not lose your zeal, feeling that there is no further need for special effort. Let not your interest flag. Let it rather increase, until every institution among us is free from the curse of debt. And even then do not fold your hands, and think that there is no call for further effort. Press forward in the work. Sell the book wherever you can, and bring our larger books to the notice of the people. A fund should be raised to send to school those who desire to fit themselves for the Lord's work, but are unable to pay their own way. Let there be money in hand to be used for this purpose. And many facilities will be needed, both in the home fields and in the "regions beyond." Many worthy enterprises will call for help.

Let us have faith in God. In His name let us carry forward His work without flinching. The work He has called us to do He will make a blessing to us. And when His plan for the relief of our schools has been vindicated, when the work pointed out has been fully accomplished, He will indicate to us what to do next.

As long as the message of mercy is to be given to the world, there will be a call for effort similar to that which has been made for the relief of our schools. And as long as human probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to do His work. When the religious denominations unite with the papacy to oppress God's people, places where there is religious freedom will be opened by evangelistic canvassing. If in one place the persecution becomes sever, let the workers do as Christ has directed: "When they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another." Matt. 10: 23. If persecution comes there, go still to another place. God will lead His people, making them a blessing in many places. Were it not for persecution, they would not be so widely scattered abroad to proclaim the truth. And Christ declares, "Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come." Verse 23. Until in heaven is spoken the word, "It is finished," there will always be places to labor and hearts to receive the message.