HIS WORD REVIVE

MAKE THE WORD OF GOD YOUR COMPASS: The Bible is the great standard of right and wrong, clearly defining sin and holiness. Its living principles, running through our lives like threads of gold, are our only safeguard in trial and temptation. The Bible is a chart, showing us the waymarks of truth. Those who are acquainted with this chart will be enabled to tread with certainty in the path of duty, wherever they may be called to go. When faith in God's Word is lost, the soul has no guide, no safeguard. The youth are drawn into paths which lead away from God and from everlasting life.

To this cause may in great degree be attributed the widespread iniquity in our world today. When the Word of God is set aside, its power to restrain the evil passions of the natural heart is rejected. When God's Word is made the man of our counsel, when we search the Scriptures for light, heavenly angels come near to impress the mind and to enlighten the understanding, so that it can be truly said, "The entrance of thy words giveth light. . . ." Psalm 119:130. The Word of God is light and truth. . . . It is able to guide every step of the way to the city of God. {The Faith I Live By, p. 7.}

TAKE THE WORD INDIVIDUALLY AS THE MINE OF TRUTH: Let all be educated to search the Scriptures, to be constantly looking unto Jesus and not to human agents to be their guide. The Word of God is to be the man of our counsel. That Word is infinite. Obeyed, it will guide us into safe and sure paths. But the Word diluted with human devices and imaginings is not a safe guide. I caution all to walk carefully, to take the Word of God individually. We may meet Satan with the weapon, "It is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve" [Matthew 4:10]. The Bible is the great mine of truth, which we are to work as those seeking for hidden treasure. In no case is the attention to be diverted from that Word. "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent" [John 17:3]. {Manuscript Releases, Vol. 14, p. 192.}