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we want to get the message out to the far ends of the earth. We want to think, we want to go in our prayer life as we can every day to India, to China, to Africa - all over the world, and work there as we can work through prayer and accomplish God's purpeses. "Thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, a nation that knew not thee shall run unto thee." If we turly follow Christ as we should.

Then he returns again to the Gospel call. "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near." While He may be found; while He is near. Who knows how long the unbeliever may have opportunity to turn to Him? to accept Him? Who knows how long the opportunity may be there? Who knows with each of us how long we will have opportunity to serve Christ? Many things will come up -- 10 yrs,m 20 yrs., 30 yrs. for from now and you'll say, Oh I wish I had studied that particular subject a little harder. I wish I had gone into that a little deeper. I wish I had investigated this problem. I wish I had had experience while I was in seminary in training for this aspect of Christian work that will prove so important in my work at this point. "While He is near" seek him. While he is near find the opportunities to take advantage of the preparation He wants you to have.

"Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his Christ thoughts.. Repentance is necessary. Belief in Chirst is not merely a ticked. It involves repentance. It is the free gift ofG6ddbut we must forsake our ways. We must forsake our thoughts and turn to the LOrd.or we cannot have His mercy. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways says the Lord . . . "

A few years ago I received a letter from a young woman who was a student in the Teachers College in Penna. She said, We are re-