

But we don't know His plan in full detail, and we don't know in full detail His plan for our own individual lives. If we truly know Christ as we should surely we will cry out with the Apostle Paul, Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel! If we read Ephesians we will realize that we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus. But the v. goes on, created in Christ Jesus unto to good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. He has a very great purpose in the accomplishment of His work in the life of every one of us.

The work of God in the world can in some regards be compared to a war. In every war there are strategic retreats. In every war there are times of desperate struggle when a holding action is all that can be attained. In every way there are areas and periods in which great sudden advances can be made. God may choose to put a person in a place where he makes sudden great advances. He puts another in -- He may at another time put him in a place where he can do only a holding operation. None of us know fully how He chooses to use us. I remember the case of a minister who came to a mining town in N. PA. He stayed in a church there. He seemed to have little effect on the people. He organized a Bible class to which a few people came. For a year and a half he conducted this Bible class. In the class there was a young man and young woman who did not seem particularly promising in any way but who took a vital interest in the class. Some even thought they can just for a chance to see each other there. However, these two came and before the end of ~~the~~ the ~~1~~ year and a half they got married. About two years later the minister got a call to a church in a distant place, he looked around for a little and got a chance to serve in a church in a distant state where he had far better results. I don't know how much he accomplished in his life, but I am quite sure that as he looked back he thought of his two years