

(Indistinct) We often wonder and God in His mercy brings us out, but when that comes into our lives that is not our fault and we don't understand it God is leading and He has a purpose and we can rest in it. We do not need to be all upset and discouraged. We are living in the presence of the One who foreordained everything in our lives.

God said to Jeremiah, I have made you a prophet unto the nations and you can build up and tear ~~down~~ down. (Indistinct) God has told us to step out and who knows which one of us here, if our eyes are truly on the Lord, may be used of Him in ways that only eternity will enable us to know.

He wants us to fill our minds with His Word that we may truly express it. Some years ago I read a book called When Iron Gates Yield. It was written by an English missionary (some 30 years ago now) who was a missionary in ~~China~~ Tibet and he was in Tibet trying to establish a Christian work. He made a good start and then the communist armies came in. He was seized and put in prison. He was in prison for three or four months and no one came to him. During that time he read his Bible practically alone. He meditated on it. He got more and more of it into his mind. He was already very familiar with ~~it~~ it. Then the time came when they were ready to deal with him, and they took his Bible away from him. For three ~~ex~~ years he did not have access to his Bible. Three years in which he was submitted to hearing communist propaganda constantly, constantly, constantly. Three years of being shut off (indistinct) He kept his mind on the Word of God and he thanked the Lord that so much of the Word of God was in his mind. He had no access to it except when he had it at first. Then after three years he was informed that he would be released and sent back home and was given his Bible back.

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Suppose you were cut off altogether from access ~~to~~ the Word of God. How much of it do you know? How much of it have you memorized? How much of it is there in such a way that you can easily feed upon it? How much of it to keep you with your eyes upon the Lord? We need to get the Word stored in our minds and in our hearts, and let its message work itself out through us, as God works in us and God works through us. Let us pray.

Oh God our Father we know that your Word is true. We know that David spoke truly when he said that all his members were known before he was ever he was born or conceived. We know that you know all things and do all things for the good of those that love the Lord. Oh our Father we would pray that you would help us to plant the Word in our minds and hearts, to study it and meditate upon it. Help ~~x~~ us never to get over excited with our progress because we know that you (indistinct) Help us never to get discouraged
The one who does secular work often does more than the one who ~~is~~ is in full time, and leads more souls to God. Help us to ~~to~~ keep our eyes on you and above all whatever we do may we know your Word and keep it deep in our hearts. May Jesus Christ so live in us that when people see us they will know we have been with Jesus. We ask it in His Name. Amen.