

~~for each of us includes~~

~~the entire pattern has not been revealed to us for the world. However, we do~~

~~know that the two primary purposes of using us as His tools in the world are~~

first to use us as His instruments in order to bring the message of salvation

to His elect. He ordinarily works through people, and He has definite purposes for each of us in this regard. If there is no church within reasonable distance

of you where you would hear the Word of God, I would still feel that it would be God's desire that you should form a connection -- that you should meet with

gatherings of people who call themselves Christians, in order that by personal contact by letter by simple mention of the facts of God's method of ~~work~~

salvation God may use you as His instrument in bringing others into His

kingdom. If each of us is not exerting ourselves to the utmost in one way or another for this purpose we are not fulfilling His desire, for us

The second purpose is that we be His instruments for helping other

Christians to grow in grace. He wants to use us to help other Christians to become more interested in Bible study, and to seek more actively to develop in themselves the characteristic He desires and to be used more effectively as His tools for carrying out of His purposes and build up the body of Christ and help its members to grow in grace. Everything in our lives should be subservient to a considerable extent to these two major purposes in the life of the one who knows Christ as Saviour.

God has given us His Scripture as a source from which to get the great truths He wants to give us and as His means of driving these truths into our hearts. The most important thing is not the beauty of the words.

If that were it we should all have to read the Scripture in the original languages, every translation is only an approximation. However, it is not specific words, but the ideas. The words are inspired in the sense that they are kept from error, so that we do not derive anything false from them.

if we study them carefully, I believe there are many truths hidden that God

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