

souls for Christ so that when he meets Him he can have with him precious sheaves. We remember how Paul said, Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel. Now of course this does not mean that/<sup>it is</sup>every Christian's duty to be an evangelist. It ~~is~~ does not mean that it is every Christian's duty to be a pastor. God has given different gifts to everyone. Paul said in 1 Cor. 3:6: "I have planted; Apollos watered, but God gave the increase."

I knew a young man once who would go out walking on a Sunday afternoon, and when he would come back he would say he had led 25 people to the Lord. He had a very special gift of talking with people, presenting the Gospel to them in such a way as to get a statement from them that they took Christ as their Saviour. How deep it was; how real it was I have no way of knowing. But God gives certain gifts to some and certain gifts to others, but everyone has the duty of in every possible way being an instrument for leading souls into the Kingdom of God. This is a very vital part of God's will, <sup>simply</sup> not to be for every evangelist, <sup>simply</sup> not to be for every minister, not simply for every Christian worker, it is for every Christian. If the Christian is not bearing fruit we may question whether he is a Christian. Now of course we cannot always judge whether he is bearing fruit. You may say and do things that will result in leading souls into the Kingdom that you will never hear of. You cannot be sure how great your influence or your effectiveness is in this direction. Some have great gifts, some seem to have very little. But everyone can contribute by his words, by his actions, by his dealing with other people, and certainly by his prayers to win souls to the Lord in this country and in every other country in the world. This is the duty of all, and if we understand what the will of the Lord is we are certainly going to give thought to see to it that we are important in this area. And pray God that if He has given us this particular gift in the evangelistic way to use those gifts to the utmost, but in any event to use our efforts to a

*1 Cor 12:1-11  
Eph. 4:1-13*

*Gal 5:22, 23  
John 15*