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BIBLE SATURATION

There is no such thing as mastering the Bible; it must master you. A charlatan who should advertise to teach the Bible in ten easy lessons would be laughed at by the world. Sorrow must teach the Bible, failure must teach it, joy and labour and human brotherhood must teach it, and all the blessed and difficult experiences of mortal life. Time goes into the process of Bible saturation, and painstaking, and much thoughtfulness. Only a patient man can become a man of the Book.

Wise method must go into the process of Bible saturation. Many of us know little about the Bible because we do not seek that knowledge in a way that would bring us any other knowledge. We must have a regular time for our Bible reading, and the time must be adequate to the great purpose. We would not undertake to master any other volume in the fragments of time we often consider sufficient for the greatest of all books. Not only a regular time, but a regular place, is necessary, or at least best, that customary surroundings may put us immediately into the Bible frame of mind. And we need, of course, a proper set of printed helps to interpret to us this book that comes down to us from ancient times and from other lands.

Above all, for Bible saturation we need the aid of the Holy Spirit, who has promised to take all these things and show them to us. Wisest method and most copious commentaries fail without the unseen Teacher. We need Him to quicken our minds, to enforce our memories, and to touch our consciences.

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