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THE ULTIMATE INSANITY!

A new employee in a valve company was given a sensitive micrometer to measure parts to see if they conformed to the pattern. When the foreman came back, he found the man filing away on the micrometer. He said, "What are you doing with that expensive instrument?" The man replied, "Well, it just doesn't fit any of these parts so, I thought I'd make it fit." There is a far greater insanity abroad; the paring down of the Bible, God's perfect Word, to make it fit the faulty thinking of sinful human beings. I refer to all the modern versions and absurd paraphrases of the Bible. While man seeks to make a bible to suit himself, he has really changed nothing. Isaiah 40:8 says, "**The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand forever.**"

FINDING OPPORTUNITY

Someone has said that the reason a lot of people cannot find opportunity is that it goes around disguised as hard work. I think it was Thomas Edison who said, "Inspiration is 90% perspiration." There is plenty to do in the Lord's work - what we need is workers. Jesus said, "**The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.**" ~Luke 10:2. What are you doing in Christ's work?

WHAT IS YOUR PASSION?

William Booth once had an audience with King Henry VII of England. His Majesty highly commended the salvationist for his unflagging zeal and work among the poor. Booth said, "Some men's passion is for gold. Some is for fame. But my passion, Your Majesty, is for souls." What is your passion? I cannot conceive of anyone having a passion for souls who does not witness regularly. "**The love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead.**" ~II Corinthians 5:14.

STUMBLING BLOCKS

D. L. Moody said, "I remember hearing of a blind man who sat by the roadside with a lantern near him. When he was asked what he had a lantern for, since he could not see the light, it was so that people would not stumble over him. I believe more people stumble over the inconsistencies of professed Christians than for any other cause. What is doing more harm to the cause of Christ than all the skeptics in the world is this dead, cold formalism and conformity to the world."