

Promoting Reading the Publication of the Ministry Among the Saints

1. Helping to Promote the Standing Order

"I hope that all the churches in all the localities, which have received the supply in the Lord's word from this ministry, will **do their best to help the publication of the ministry in the matter of standing orders....** We encourage the brothers and sisters to sign up for standing orders so that we can print books in larger quantities but at a cheaper cost, which benefit everyone." (*CWWL, 1984, vol. 5, "The Faithful and Diligent Spreading of the Truth,"* p. 189)

2. Encouraging the Saints to Build Up the Habit of Reading

"We also want to **encourage the brothers and sisters to build up the habit of reading spiritual books after every meal and before going to bed.** They will gain a great benefit from reading in this way.

I hope the elders in each locality will **give the saints some help and encouragement so that each household will have a supply of spiritual books.** The saints can place a copy in various places within their homes—on their dining table, on their nightstand, on their bathroom counter, and in their kitchen—to make enjoying the Lord's word in every place convenient for all the members of their family and even for their guests. These books are full of God's rich grace; it would certainly be beneficial for each household to place them throughout their home." (pp. 189-190)

3. Leading the Saints to Become Addicted to Reading the Truth

"**We should lead the saints to become addicted to reading the truth.** We should consider reading the truth to be more important than eating and drinking. If we do this, this truth in the Lord's recovery will greatly increase and be victorious; furthermore, the number of people in all the churches will spontaneously multiply (Acts 6:7)." (pp. 206-207)

4. Finding Ways to Promote the Truth

"**We must have a proper attitude and be positive and aggressive, doing our best to urge people to read His word.** If we do not **find ways to promote** the truth or pray, how can the Lord's word be spread? If we take the Lord's word lightly, how can we have boldness to **promote the publications among the saints?**" (p. 207)

5. Being Jealous to Change the Atmosphere to Make Reading a Priority

"Some brothers and sisters spend more time reading the newspaper and watching television than they do reading the ministry publications; **this really grieves me. I hope that we could have a jealous heart for the Lord and change the atmosphere so that everyone would have a desire to read the Bible, and each household would make reading the spiritual publications a priority...**

Despite the fact that the co-workers frequently go to help the churches, their true, long-term help has come from the supply of the publications." (p. 207)

6. Stirring Up the Saints' Interest in Pursuing the Truth

"**Please pick up a burden to return to your localities, fellowship with the elders, and consider this to be an important matter.** The primary matter is not to promote the books but to **stir up the saints' interest in pursuing the truth and to encourage them to enjoy reading the spiritual publications. This will depend on the way that we do it.**" (pp. 207-208)

7. Immersing, Soaking, Diving, and Bathing in the Truth

“If we have a clear view and know the Bible, the condition of today’s Christianity, the truth, and the mercy given to us by God, we would spend our whole life **being immersed and soaked in the truth. Then we would surely have the burden to propagate this truth as much as possible among the brothers and sisters in the churches. We would endeavor to create among the brothers and the sisters an atmosphere of desiring the truth and the Life-studies....**I hope that we could all learn to appreciate the Life-studies by **diving into them, bathing in them, and allowing the light of the truth to penetrate us.** Only then will we be able to spread the blessings and benefits that we have received, thereby **creating an atmosphere in which the saints desire the truth and the Life-studies.**” (p. 172-173)

8. Bringing in a Real Revival

“The Lord’s word will require that we bear the responsibility to **labor willingly to zealously encourage and urge everyone in all the local churches to pursue the truth and read the spiritual publications.** In this way the Lord’s truth will spread widely, and **there will be a real revival.**” (p. 208)

“If all the six hundred churches on the earth would **seriously read** the Life-studies and thoroughly study the truths contained in them, I absolutely believe that **a great revival would begin** not only among us but even on the whole earth.” (p. 172)

“I absolutely believe that if any local church **promotes** the Life-studies in this way, **it will be revived.** If all the saints in a locality practice for one year to read the Life-studies to receive the life supply and study the truth for small group meetings, message meetings, and shepherding and helping others by fellowshipping with them, **the church in that locality will surely be revived.** This is because there is nothing more powerful than the word of God as the truth of God. “ (pp. 174-175)

9. Fighting Against Satan to Gain Ground for the Truth to Go Forth

“Satan will resist this matter; hence, we must focus on this matter and be **ready to fight against Satan to gain this ground** so that God’s truth may have a way to go forth.” (p. 175)

10. Giving the Saints Direction, Encouragement, and Incentive

“We should **help the saints to build up a practice or a habit** that every day they would spend at least thirty minutes in the Word. ...I think we need to **remind them week after week,** and sometimes the elders need to **give the saints some direction, some encouragement, and some incentive.**

Many of you leading ones have never encouraged the saints in the last five years to get the truths in the way of using the Life-studies. You leave the matter of the saints’ getting into the Life-studies altogether up to them. You do not seem to care whether this is a dying matter or a living matter. This way of getting into the truth has become an orphan with no father and no mother, with no fostering. This has been the situation, and in some of the local churches, your problems all have been due to this one thing...as leading brothers try your best in your locality to **stir up an atmosphere and to create a hunger and thirst in the saints after the Lord’s truth.**” (*Elders’ Training, Book 3*, pp. 105-107)

11. Hastening the Lord’s Return and Preparing the Bride

“...I hope that we could live to be eighty or ninety, even to over a hundred, so that we might be able to see the fulfillment of all that we have fellowshipped today. I wish to live on this earth and witness with my own eyes the truth of the Lord not only being printed into books through our hands, but also being sent through us to every part of the world and prevailing in every place. I absolutely believe that this will hasten the Lord’s return because it is through this that the Lord will prepare His bride. I hope that we all can see the manifestation of such a situation.” (*The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity*, p. 163)