

work but not doing the thing that the Lord wants you to do right then. There's a problem that comes to every student as summer approaches. What shall I do this summer? Well, wouldn't it be nice next year if I had a little better clothes than I had this year? Wouldn't it be nice next year if I didn't have to worry quite as much about money as I did this year? Wouldn't it be nice if I got a good bit of money ahead during the summer? ~~XXX~~ And this of course is a legitimate thing and a thing that should be given its proper weight - the earning of money because the Lord does not want us to be bankrupt. It is a legitimate thing but it can become a wrong thing if it becomes pushed out of proportion beyond the place that it should have. I remember when I was in seminary and we got back in the fall and we thought that those who had been in full-time service for the Lord during the summer, preaching in a little church somewhere, going and ringing doorbells, helping in evangelistic work, working in Summer Bible School, and work like this. When they came back their year's work meant so much more to them. Everything related to problems they had touched upon. All things they got in their class were real and meaningful for them, not just theoretical matters that did not have any contact with actual experience. Their next year's work meant many times as much as if the summer had merely been a time taken out to earn money before coming back to go on with the Lord's service. Many, many a time students have said to me, "This summer I'm going to review my Hebrew and Greek. I'm going to work on it, I'm going to keep up with it. I'm going to get ahead." I always say when anyone says that to me, "Don't just say I'm going to do

(10.5) a week on Hebrew and Greek. I'm just going to get down and study and work hard and do a lot." And maybe twice in the summer they'll do it. Say this, "I'm going to put ten minutes every single day the whole day on Hebrew & Greek." You put more time, but a little bit every day right straight through and you come back in the fall and you're fresh, you're up-to-date. Your mind is clear on these matters. You're not like most students - a whole month it takes to catch up to the point where you were before. I went one time to speak at the installation of a president of a Bible School. The Dean of the school came to me - a bright fellow, a very brilliant fellow, a graduate of this seminary some years before. He came to me and he said, "Dr. MacRae, I want to tell you how much I regret that during these ten years I have been giving all my time to the practical teaching, to preaching, to the direct word, and taking graduate work in matters connected with philosophy and theology - all of which was good but I have neglected to keep up the languages. Now I've reached the