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without seeing any change wrought in their hearers. Myxydur Of the has been sermons of some men it/many said. 'They may be correctly x ?? poll ?? cold ?? and correctly dull; falsily faultless; icily regular; splendidly ?? null ?? x But the man who has a Scriptural view of the token? ? poken ?? pulpit ? of the Gospel will desire to preach like Richard Baxter, as an express from another world, or like McCheyne (sp?) Marcheny MacCheyne who, as one of his hearers said, preached as though he was almost dying to have you converted. Wherever preaching has ceased to require an individual response, and wherever hearers are left with the impression that there is no divine command requiring their repentance and true faith, farsi Christianity has withered away. The presentation of Christianity as a rehearsal of fact without any attempt to apply these facts to the conscience, and without any call to trust in Jesus as a mighty Saviour, falls far short of apparts apostolic preaching." And at the top of the next pages he says, "In the following pages then there is no discussion about whether it is right to invite men to come to Christ. That issue should be indisputable to those who believe Scripture. Nor is it an open question whether man's responsibility to repent and believe should be emphasized in evangelism." I think those are tremendous statements in this human writing on the importance we do not preach simply to inform people. We do not preach simply to give them understanding, to give them ideas. We preach to change them; we preach to reach their hearts. We preach to have an effect upon them that will last. All true preaching must be an infi invitation. It should start with invitation. And it certainly should end with invitation. Now this little **insultant** booklet from which I read you this page is called The Invitation System. Somebody showed it to me a short time ago, and as I read that first page I said, 'My, this is tremendous." IT The Invitation Is this man trying to say there's some particular system of System. invitation that's more effective than others? and going to explain to us what it is? Because he says it's so tremendously important we be And when I read on I was disappointed. And constantly giving invitations? (singular?)

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