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during the last half of the sermon, but during the first half it was pretty hard some of the time to hear you. And I realized then that it is not what you feel like, whether you feel you are struggling to be heard, but whether you are carrying out the principles that really will be effective. And I in that little brief time had already forgotten to use that valuable instruction we had had and there in the middle of the sermon I put my thought on it and it made a tremendous difference. And so the we spend our time at Sinai getting our straining, studying our Bible, getting our theology, getting our homitatics and our public speaking and our voice training, we have to keep it up and we have to devote periods to thinking and studying along these lines right along or we are going to loose a great deal of what we've gotten. And so these important stages of life must be continued. They can't simply reach a certain pt. and then be dropped and forgotten but certain aspects receive emphasis at one time in our lifes and certain in another. Well we spoke of the place of Sinai in the life of the Christian and of the sharp divisions being rarely present in real life,

5. The place of Sinai in the life of the Christian worker. It is a very important and has a very real place.

a. The need of preparation. Oh. how often you find the person who has just come to the Lord, the person who has just come to feel that the Lord wants him to give his whole life to Christian servide. That such a person jumps in with zeal and enthusiasm to serve the Lord. And he may do a lot of good along with that zeal and enthusiasm. But after a little it wears off. And after a little people arn't quite so ready to overlook his weaknesses and his frailties am they do when he's just starting. O I used to find when I was in seminary and went out and preached in the summer, people would say, O to see a young man that really is devoted to the Lord. How wonderful it is. They would overlook your mistakes. Some of them would tell you the foolishist things: O the best sermon I ever heard in my life. Wonderful preaching, just because it's a young man and' they want to help and encourage the young man. There is something about the enthusiasm of youth that carries. But it won't carry you many years. You have to get the training. You have to get the preparation. It is very vital in the life of the "Christian to/ worker to get