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SETTLED IN HEAVEN

For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Ps. 119:89.

Books of science have to be rewritten every few years. New discoveries are constantly being made. Nearly every year something that has been taught in our schools as an established law of nature is proven to be incorrect. Thus a few years ago all the text books stated that electric current flows in a certain direction. Today it is known that what was formerly thought to be positive is actually negative, and what was thought to be negative is actually positive. Similar changes are constantly being made in our understanding of the things of this world. There is progress; there is motion forward; there is a giving up of old and false ideas.

How thankful we should be that our eternal salvation does not depend upon the stage of knowledge which our community has reached at a certain time. It is all definitely explained in God's Word. We need only to follow what it says.

It is cause for joy that God's Word is settled in heaven. We may often misunderstand it and need to study it further; we can advance in our realization of what it means; but what it says is fixed and definite. Anything that is clearly taught in it cannot be shaken. "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

What a privilege it is to come together on the Lord's Day to hear the Bible explained. We need to study it every day that we may constantly grow in grace.

—Prof. A. A. MacRae, Hatfield, Pa.