

at the University and he began a course there in Babylonian. I had known him for some time. I met him on the street one day. He was a man of intelligence far above that of the ordinary person. I said to him, You've got to learn these signs now; let me give you a few suggestions, and I passed on to him in a few suggestions what I had found after I had laborously learned them and gotten to the top and looked back and seen how I could have done it.

He thanked me for the suggestions and went and worked on them and did it. He told me later, that in class when they came to one of those signs and they called on one of the others and he gets it with stumbling. He said, They call on me and I go through the system you described, and the professor said, I don't know how you do it. He said, I don't understand it but he said, You seem to get it quickly. There was that which I could never have figured out in class but which I had seen from the top.

Now there are many things we can see from the bottom. There are other things that it is useful for someone else to get for us from the top. But MUSAR involves that we study the effect of our energy. That we work hard. Without working hard, there is no MUSAR. But MUSAR is intelligent effort. We study how to get the results we desire.

I can look back on the last 3 years to things I've done that have consumed hours and hours of time that I now see they could have been done with 1/3 or 1/4 of as much time. Perhaps 90-95 % as effective, but it would have been well worth it to have saved that time. I did not show sufficient MUSAR.

The Bible says, Take fast hold of MUSAR. It says seek MUSAR. It says it was the MUSAR of Jesus Christ that secured our shalom for all eternity. May God to us each one this semester to get MUSAR, to hold MUSAR. To work in such a way as to get the results we need. But Oh may he give us the intelligence to make it real MUSAR. To work in such a way as to accomplish the results desired.

I remember we had a few years ago a student who had been a president of a theological seminary in China. When the communists took over China he came over here and he took our theological course. He was a bright fellow and he talked with great force. He became a good friend of mine and I said to him, You ought to work on your English pronunciation. I said, You could greatly improve your English pronunciation if you worked on it. His English pronunciation wasn't bad but it could have been made triple as good and people would have understood him better.

Well, he said, Why should I work on English pronunciation. I'm going back to China. I'm going to work in Chinese the rest of my life. Why should I work on English pronunciation. Well, the communists gained complete control of China and he could not go back. He went to Los Angeles, and started a Chinese church there. I was there and visited. There were 100 people in the church. I think 75 or 80 of them were Chinese. There were maybe 10 English-speaking people who told me they thrilled to his wonderful Bible messages. But I asked him, Do you speak in Chinese in these services? How do these English-speaking people get anything out of it?