

improved would be if you would give some instruction on how to organize a Sunday School and how to handle it well. I have to start a Sunday School here and I don't know how to go at it! He did not show Musar when he was with us.

We need to develop thinking. We need to develop intelligent thinking. We need to develop the ability to apply our energy in ways that will accomplish something. I went to a church once in Colorado where the church was maybe half as big as this room. In the back of the room there were maybe 20 people sitting. The minister gave an excellent sermon, well worked out, carefully thought through. Fine presentation of Christian truth and he gave it so low and spoke so softly that I could not hear it though I was sitting in the front of the people who were there.

We went out on a street meeting and he sang out lustily. You could hear him two blocks away, but when he preached he did not realize that if you are going to get your thoughts across you've got to say them in a way that will command attention, and in a way that will get them into people's minds and hearts. No matter how well your sermon is worked out you want to learn Musar.

I had a student ~~xxxxxxx~~ some years ago who had been head of a seminary in China. He was a very able man. He took our full course at the seminary. Very excellent work. Later he went and earned a doctor's degree and he was expecting to go back to China. He was a very intelligent fellow, very fine chap. But his English was difficult to understand. I said to him, Why don't you put some effort on learning to give the English pronunciation so that it is easy for the rest of us to understand it. I said it takes a little thought and effort but I said, You could easily do it. Particularly if you get someone to help you on imitating the precise sounds. He said, What's the use of that, I'm going back to China. I will always be speaking in Chinese. He said I know English well enough to understand what's given in the courses. What do I need to learn to pronounce English well?

Well, before he finished his training over here the communists took over China. It was impossible for a Christian worker to get to China. He went to Los Angeles. There in Los Angeles he became the minister of a Chinese church. His Chinese was Mandarin. These people all spoke Cantonese. They could not understand him, so he always preached in English! For the next 10 or 15 years he was always preaching in English. I met an American over there. He said to me, There are 90 people in the church, 90 Chinese, and there are 10 of us Americans and I've never heard such wonderful Gospel messages as I get from this man. I always go to hear him. But his work could have been even better if he had taken the effort to improve his pronunciation.

We don't know what the Lord has ahead for us. None of us knows how the Lord is going to use us, but we have opportunities to learn how to improve ourselves in many different areas. One of the most important, I believe, is learning to speak in a way that is effective. Now there are some people who seem to be naturally good speakers. They just get up and speak, and even if they don't say much people just think they are wonderful! There are other people who may have