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Dear John Allen:

Thank you for your letter written some days ago when you were in Lubbock. I was quite surprised to learn of your interest and that of the other men who have been in on the planning of the new magazine for me to participate on the Editorial Committee level. I am honored and appreciate the feeling that I could help in this capacity. A few days later I did receive the material from Walter March and have read it carefully. I will give the matter careful consideration and will probably want to talk with some of you about it. My first reaction after studying it through is a feeling that it would be better launched six months or a year later. However, I will make no decision about the matter until further study.

Also, thank you for your letter concerning Franklin Camp. While I knew that he had been invited to speak at Lipscomb on the January Lectureship, I was not familiar with his views concerning the Holy Spirit. Ordinarily, his stock and trade is presenting an analysis of the scriptures. I will try to see that he is encouraged to be scriptural in this series. We certainly do not want a presentation that would brand any group or that would add fuel to the flames of divisive discussion that has already gone far too far in the brotherhood. Thank you for your warning. I will use it discreetly and helpfully.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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