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Dear John Allen:

Your wonderful letter of July 26th is before me. I am glad that you let Sue read mine to you. You see, son, any person born in Robertson County is just a bit exceptional and between Sue and me, we will make a pretty good preacher out of you yet.

The search for truth rather than a denominational form or traditional set of rules is what is back of MISSION. It will shake the GA and FF and I have said so in the August issue. Nothing can live on the past and why almost our whole, better thinking brotherhood will go along and see these two great papers bury themselves without comment is beyond me, on the otherhand, I know why - I am likely to get it but welcome it will if I can but wake them up to a new day.

Son, you are wise to let the Holy Spirit articles rest for the moment but do not let them die. I just read Hulan Jackson's article in FF to Don McGaughey a few days ago and Don thought as I did about it. I have almost "sworn" him to write what he believes and he said he would in two or three weeks after he gets settled. I would tell you that if you even are uncertain about some Scripture, you could go to no man in all the church to find the surest answer than Don McGaughey. You will see this boy rise to new heights as a Biblical scholar. In a year under him I found out more about what I did not know about the Bible than I ever knew before. You hold fast to the Herald of Truth but do not allow them to nail you to any cross. Right now I could have you preaching at Torrance in 30 minutes.

I'm so happy all went well at Odessa and I phoned Jimmy in Dallas just to lift his spirit a bit, and he said it did. You two men walk together as you are a great team.

I do want ACTION family to get together in time and when you come out next, those of us here will do so. Walter Burch just wrote that he wants to see me and will be here 10th to 14th. I would suppose he wants to talk about the new magazine. I plan to ride along with ACTION. Just wrote Alan. He is going to work harder on circulation. We have added about 10,000 this year - order today for 500 for Sherrod Ave., Florence, Ala. I told Alan that I thought that you, Jimmy, Ira, Joe and Prentice could help as you go from place to place.

Never worry, I shall never quote you on things written in confidence. Just finished copy for August and believe it will be a good issue. My arm seems better but not yet well. I love you too, and God bless you and your home.

Every person has more right to hear the Gospel once than any one person has to hear it twice.
Patsie, Doug and Mark went up to Canada on vacation. Patsie wrote that Mark prayed:

"God bless all the 'aminals' and people on the earth and all the planets. Take good care of your son and yourself. Amen. I forgot to ask you to take good care of me too. Amen."