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Jimmy and John Allen:

I started looking at things a bit deeper during the Pepperdine Workshop and in listening to those great dedicated men of God who were on the program.

Last night I wrote an article on our world, the billions without Christ and the great challenge we have getting the Lord to them; Eastern religions, Communism, our own America, then the problems which we have of division in the church, congregational differences and the ills among us on the local church level. I thought of Christian homes and the long way we have to go in making them happy places as they ought to be, but after all that, the greatest mission field on earth is a person's own heart.

I just believe that you two men can take the idea, however, I feel sure you are years ahead of me, and make a sermon for your work that will move people.

Brother Porter Wilhite was in my home recently and I mentioned to him that a person could commit every sin in the Book alone in a prison cell. Heaven or Hell is not an inch away from a man's heart. Oh how I would like to hear each of you develop the lesson in your way and lay it on the line.

John Allen, I just wrote Jimmy a note telling him that Vivian has read the Gospel Advocate article but I have not although I know what it is. After more than 30 years on exchange, they cut me off but they havethat right.

You two blessed boys keep in there pitching and God bless you both.

Love,

James L. Lovell