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THE following from an appeal to the people in the California Conference in the *Pacific Union Recorder*, is equally applicable to Seventh-day Adventists on this side of the ocean, and so we pass it on: -

Let us all wake up, and stand up, and enter heartily, prayerfully, and vigorously upon the work of spreading the Third Angels Message as never before. Please do not wait to be licensed or otherwise "recognized" by formal action of the Conference Committee. Ask the Lord what there is that you can do. Consecrate yourself to Him, and ask earnestly what He will have you to do. Then begin just where you are, at whatever Christian work your hand shall find to do. And there is abundance of this that can be done everywhere by all.

Many of our people have lived when they now are long enough for all the people of the community to know that they are Seventh-day Adventists, and, through them, that the seventh day is the Sabbath. Many have distributed literature in the neighbour-hood where they are to such an extent that they that the people do not want to read any more. But there is one phase of the work of the Third Angels Message that has not been so fully employed. That is the Christian help work, or medical missionary work - personally visiting, to help the sick, the sorrowing; taking a personal interest in the daily life and affairs of all who are round about you, to help them in every possible way that need may demand or opportunity offer. This is now the wide-open door through which all our people can enter into the very heart of the work of the Third Angel's Message. And this work, taken up care-

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fully, prayerfully, and considerately, will open the way for the distribution of literature, and also will cause all the people to take a deeper interest in what is the meaning of your being a Seventh-day Adventist, and the seventh day being the Sabbath.

And this is precisely what the Holy Spirit is given to you for; for thus it is written of our Leader, our Example, our Head. Read it: -

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me; because

The Lord hath anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the meek:

He hath sent Me to bind up the broken-hearted,

To proclaim liberty to the captives,

And the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of

vengeance of our God;

To comfort all that mourn."

That is the purpose for which the Holy Spirit is poured out upon you. Will you fulfil the purpose? When the Holy Spirit is poured upon you for that purpose, if you should not step in and fulfil the purpose, then of what benefit can the pouring out of the Holy Spirit be to you? Come, brethren and sisters, step in.

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