

When these people first come to a foreign land to receive advanced training, they view everything through rose colored spectacles. They are open and responsive. It would be far easier to reach them with the Gospel at that time than in their own country before they come or after they return. How different the situation would be in the missionary lands if more of these students were reached with the gospel and sent back to their countries where they already know the language and the ways of thought of the people far better than a missionary can learn it in an entire life time, sent back on fire to spread the gospel in their own land. They could be the most effective missionary there instead of being as a group, a great obstacle to missionary work, they would be its greatest propelling force. Yet we seldom hear of effort being made to reach these foreign students in this country. Practically nothing is being done to bring them the gospel here. This has often impressed me as one of the greatest fields of true witness. I wonder if many of us do not have our eyes so definitely focussed on the missionary work in distant lands that we fail to see this great opportunity of reaching the foreign lands through work right here in our own country.

Another reason why we are making a mistake in thinking that true missionary work must be done in foreign lands, is because we are neglecting the most strategic point from the viewpoint of missionary work itself. The center from which most mission work to-day goes out is the United States of Great Britain. These countries are the heart from which the individuals, the money, and the prayers go out to all the corners of the earth. If the heart loses its vigor, the effects will be felt in every part of the organism. If the heart is stimulated new life will come into every part of the organism. Most missionary boards have had to retrench greatly in recent years. This is not entirely due to the depression. A large part of it must be laid at the door of the increase of unbelief and doubt of God's word which has been spreading so rapidly in our own land. Modernism is cutting the nerve of Christian witness. It is lessening the attendance in our churches. It is lowering the interest in Christian work in every part of our land. If the Bible is God's word, we must declare it everywhere. If it is only a human book