

And look the way God used Aaron as the great High Priest. And look at Miriam there when they crossed the Red Sea, how she led in that great celebration. The Song of Miriam in Ex. 15 there.

Why then should Moses get all the credit? And after all look at this Ethiopian woman he has married. Isn't this terrible. And so they go about with the criticism hate, jealousy and desire for personal glory the real reasons; Moses' marriage being the excuse. And ~~excuse~~ excuse which was none of their affair. It was ~~Moses' /~~ Moses' private personal life. And Oh how ready people are to ^{try} find things in the personal life of a Christian worker on which they can criticize him. And how often -- they are only excuses, they are ways of magnifying our own importance. I think I mentioned to you the book I read just recently where the man told how shocked he was as a young Christian ~~worker~~ worker travelling about speaking here and there to find how often when he'd get with a group of Christian workers, they'd mention some other man and they'd ~~say~~ say, Oh he's doing a good work. but --- look at this crazy habit he's got or look at this fault he's got or look at this thing he did once, and they just seemed to rejoice to tear down somebody. as if that would raise them up any to tear somebody else down. If somebody is truly serving the Lord, lift up his hands and help him. And if you know something that is discreditable to him and if you can help him by personally talking to him, and if he should be ready to listen to you (most people aren't), but if he should be ready to listen to you and you can give him a private word that will be helpful, you must do it. You should do it. But don't talk to other people criticizing him if he's doing a real work to the Lord. Don't tear down his influence but build it up. And so often people think that by tearing other people down they are building themselves up. I have made it a rule for many years, to observe other people's flaws, observe their weaknesses, observe their shortcomings. I never know when I'm going to be asked to give somebody a recommendation. I never know when I'm going to be asked to vote for somebody for some office. I have a responsibility when I have a part or an influence in getting somebody into a position of importance to give the best advice I can, and therefore it is my duty before the Lord to judge fairly and clearly as to his good points and