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TO MY THREE SONS, WHOSE FILIAL DEVOTION, LOVE TO GOD AND HIGH IDEALS ILLUSTRATE THE EVANGEL-ISM HEREIN SET FORTH, IS THIS BOOK MOST AFFECTIONATELY DEDI-CATED.

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THE FOREWORD

At a time like this, when so many valuable and instructive books on all phases of evangelism are offered to the church, it seems presumptuous to add still another to the already long list. But the field of evangelism is so vast and so varied that no one book can cover it all, and no one man can give all the counsels and suggestions that may be of practical value. So the writer feels that there may be a need and use for the small contribution that he is able to make to this very important work of evangelism.

If this book has any merit, it is this: its principles and plans were practiced before they were written, and they worked well. If they prove as successful to others as they have been to the writer, who tested them out in his own evangelistic ministry, he will feel that work has been worth while.

The chief aim of the book is to give young ministers a broader view of evangelism than is sometimes held by showing how fundamental it is to all church activity, and thus helping them to be more efficient evangelistic pastors. It is hoped, however, that laymen also may be stimulated by it to a larger and more thorough evangelistic endeavor.

Evangelism has not been considered broadly enough. It has been thought of only as an incident in the general program of church activity. If the church held evangelistic meetings for one month in the year, it seemed to think that its evangelistic obligations had