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Dear Dr. Sprunger,

It was good seeing you and your wife again yesterday; I wanted to talk with you a bit longer, but I felt it would be depriving my fellow Urantians of the pleasure of meeting and talking with you. Knowing that gang like I do, and understanding their reactions a good deal, I would do them an injustice to say they considered you anything other than great. Wasn't it Bishop Sheen who said that no man has a right to be heard unless he could get on his feet and talk at least an half-hour extemporaneously? If Sheen is right, you measure up, and if my extra-sensory equipment was working right, you hadn't the slightest preparation—"cold turkey" is the descriptive phrase, I think. You did a wonderful job, and I liked what you said.

I like the enclosed editorial, which was in the Trib this morning; probably you have read it already. Perhaps I am all wrong, but I have never approved of evangelism of the type of Grahm's. There is too much emotionalism in it; the religious roots seem shallow. Maybe, in the same manner we shouldn't look with disdain on those who need symbolism in their religion, we shouldn't disparage needy souls who require emotionalism to bring them into the flock. I am sure you know more about this than I do.

I, too, am desperately frustrated at times, but never discouraged. I just look at the minds of men, and I think how could they be so stupid! What has happened that I just can't understand their thought patterns and reactions? Could it be only that of human loyalties? I know they are so hard to budge. Is truth so hard to discern?

Again, thanks for coming over, and we will all look forward to when you come again.

Cordially,

*Charles Fair*