

September 17, 1963

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Dear Mr. Grimsley:

It is not always an easy matter to know how to give advice to another person as concerns his immediate duty in responding to his inner urges.

But on rereading your letter, I am impressed to advise you to carry on your present program and not come to Chicago immediately. Since it will be convenient for me to see both you and your wife next Spring when you will be nearer us, why not be willing to put off your conference with me until that time. I feel this might be the discretion which has sometime been called the better part of wisdom. At any rate, think it over.

I was certainly glad to hear from you and I am always glad to know of your enthusiasm for the spreading of the Urantia teachings. However, at this time in the history of the Urantia movement many of us seem to be destined to work where we are and as we are for the time being. At least think over this advice, and be assured always of my willingness to co-operate with you in your efforts to find your place and to do your duty in the spread of the Urantia teachings.

Sincerely,

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P.S. Regarding your question concerning evangelism, I am enclosing a write-up on this subject prepared by Dr. Sprunger. This pretty well expresses my feelings also. Further along this line, refer to your

Urantia Book and refresh your memory on how Jesus for some time restricted the enthusiasm of Peter and the other apostles for public work. At first he did not allow them to do any public work, merely sending them out two and two to do personal work. In other words, there is a time and a season for all things. I feel quite certain that this is not the right season for any aggressive public promulgation of the Urantia teachings. How soon that may come I do not know, but I feel quite certain that the time is not ripe for such effort at the present moment.