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Mr. Gary Gregg  
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Dear Mr. Gregg:

In response to your letter of February 25 I know exactly what you are up against in dealing with Fundamentalists. I would not advise you to introduce the book to them until you know it and understand it thoroughly. I hope you will discuss this matter with Mr. Vern Grimsley, as you said in your letter you were communicating with him. He is one of our good teachers in that area and can be of great help to you. He has a class that meets every Thursday night in Berkeley, but it probably would not be easy for you to get there.

We do appreciate your letter and I am enclosing some pamphlets which may be of value in introducing the Urantia Book - one contains a resume of the book, and the other contains excerpts from the book. We are also enclosing pages describing the Urantia Foundation and the Urantia Brotherhood.

We have a Urantia Society functioning in the Los Angeles area, and our Field Representative is located in Culver City. I am sending both her and Mr. Grimsley copies of your letter and my reply, and I am sure between the two of them you will get some good advice.

Very truly yours,

(Miss) E. L. Christensen  
Secretary

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Dear Sirs,

My name is Gary Gregg and I am a believer in the teachings of the Urantia Book. Although I have been seriously studying the book for only eight months I am convinced of its validity and importance. I also feel that I would like to spread the teachings of the Urantia Book on a personal level. Although I have actually introduced the book as such, (and not merely its truths), only a few times, I have become aware of the problems involved in sharing such advanced teachings with unprepared man. Nevertheless I feel I can and must work these problems out myself. But I am confronting another situation on which I would like to have your advice.

To begin with I am from a "fundamentalist" background. Up until I was introduced to the Urantia Book I was trying to put Jesus' teachings as they are recorded in the Gospels into practice. Of course now I am feasting on the expanded and clarified restatement of his life and teachings in the Urantia Book and being thoroughly satisfied. But my past has left me in the midst of brethren comparable to the Jews of Jesus time in spiritual status. I am going to a Christian College. And up to this time I have told no one there about the book. I am certain that if I were to share the book with my instructors it would cause a stir to say the least. Although I am sure that there would be those who would benefit from this I think

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there would also be reactionary responses. But actually I have no real idea what would happen. I am not concerned personally what energies are or would be directed at me. But as I understand your methodology in the distribution of the teaching, you are trying to keep it from becoming a matter of public dispute. If I show the book to my Professors this could very well happen...but not necessarily. This could also be a great opportunity to spread truth as these men are supposed to be dedicated to the discovery and spread of the same. To be sure some would be challenged and perhaps convinced as I have been.

Have you ever offered the book to seminarians for study? If so what was the reaction? I am in communication with Mr. Verne Grimsley and intend to ask him his advice also. It would be very much appreciated if you could consider my situation and offer any advice you may have for me. And I thank you much.

In everlasting fellowship,

*Gary Gregg*  
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P.S. I visited your center last summer and spoke with a Mrs. Anna Rawson. Please send her my greetings and thanks for her words of guidance.