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Dear Brother:-

I have your kind letter of the 4th, inst., and hasten to ~~reply~~ reply. I will say that I ~~was~~ certainly was agreeably surprised at the contents of your letter and I wish I could see you to tell you some of the circumstances. In the first place, I expect I have sold the Food Factory, but the trouble is that I do not get any money out of it for six months, and in getting my stuff out and moving to Nashville makes quite a heavy expense and they do help me to the amount of \$100.00 in this moving; but of course that does not one-half pay the bill. But in the end, as you will readily see, it will result in helping me very materially.

There have been a good many things which have tended to ~~make~~ make my work difficult financially. I do not think it would be ~~pr~~ profitable to go into all of them. I was mistaken when I went up and bought that property in the county. I ought to have staid right where I was in the city. I thought I was doing right. I believe I have learned a lesson, my brother, which will last me all my life time and it will be this, that I shall be very sure before I make another move to look the ground over very carefully and see that it is a sure problem of success without bringing me into financial difficulty. Just as soon as I get into financial difficulty it injures ~~my~~ my work and I am not fit to do good work in any line. On

account of this move and the financial difficulties that have been brought upon me, I have been delayed for two or three years on the important book on which I am at work entitled, "Past, Present and Future." I thank the Lord, however, that he has been helping in this work and now it is nearly completed. I will be very glad to have you examine the book when it is out. Good judges think that it going to be one of the strongest selling book we have ever had in the denomination. So I have endeavored to put a great deal of simple plain present truth in it, warning the people of the terrible dangers that are abroad in the earth today. Among these are, Spiritualism and Christian^Sscience. These are terrible errors and are bound to lead thousands of people to perdition.

Now, I will not dwell longer on the reasons why I am in financial difficulty. At the present time the help that you offer to me is a perfect, "God send," and I assure you that I appreciate it highly and shall reciprocate in the future.

Now, I do not feel that it would be right for me to make out the order on the Pacific Press, as to the amount, and I believe it will be better to refer this back to you and let you do this part of it.

I am trying very hard to comeplete the book "Past, Present and Future," and it requires quite a little money to pay the type-setter and the electrotypers who are making the plates and of course, my home expenses have to be met week by week. In addition to this there are some things that mature from month to month and I have to make some payment on them.

Now, my Brother, the situation is this. One hundred dollars

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will do me a great deal of good. Two hundred dollars will do me a great deal more and so I will leave the matter right in your hands. So in sending my letters to you I have followed the plan of absolute confidence that you exercised toward me when you sent the papers to me I signed the note in blank and returned the order on Pacific Press.

Now, my brother, what ever you can spare to help me over the emergency, you please make it out for that amount and send it in and have them send it forward and you fill in the note in the same way to yourself for the same amount and then the matter will be fixed all right.

I can say to you plainly, that for a time it seemed that every thing had grown so dark that there was no possible hope. But then there came some communications from Mother that had the ring in them of old time. She says, "Be determined that you will not fail nor be discouraged." The instruction given her for me was for me to "be patient". Now I accepted all this and simply took all my trials and difficulties to the Lord and I never came up to a difficulty but what He has opened the way in some way.

Now in regard to the matter of this loan to me, you just use your judgment in regard to it and do as well for me as you think is proper under the circumstances and ^{it} will be perfectly satisfactory to me and will help me wonderfully I assure you.

Now, ^{allowing} in regard to your expenses to Loma Linda, I will look that right up and will handle it just according to your request. I always felt very glad for that visit that we had at Loma Linda and I believe that it was in the providence of God that we met at

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that time, for I think that you had a better knowledge of my work than you had ever had before.

Hoping that all is going well with you and that you are having a good camp-meeting, I remain,

Your brother in the work.

J. E. White

P. S. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mountain View and one to the camp grounds. The papers are in the one to Mountain View.

J. E. W.