

God's Estimation of the Adventist Educators

The following quotations were gleaned from the *Spirit of Prophecy*. They point to the importance and sacredness of God's call for Adventist educators.

1. **To the teacher is committed a most important work-- a work upon which he should not enter without careful and thorough preparation. He should feel the sacredness of his CALLING and give himself to it with zeal and devotion...** {CT 229.1}
2. The great aim of the teacher should be the perfecting of Christian character in himself and in his students. {CT 68}
3. Teachers, if you will open your hearts to the indwelling of the Spirit of God, if you will welcome the heavenly Guest, **God will make you laborers together with Him.** In cooperation with the Master Teacher, the spirit of selfishness will be expelled, and wonderful transformations will take place. {FE 526.4}
4. **The salvation of his pupils is the highest interest entrusted to the God-fearing teacher. He is Christ's co-worker, and his special and determined effort should be to win them to Christ.** {CT 503.2}
5. **Teachers are to be laborers together with God in promoting and carrying forward the work which Christ by His own example has taught them to do. They are to be indeed the light of the world.** (6T 156)
6. **The teachers in our schools have a heavy responsibility to bear. They must be in words and character what they wish their students to be,--men and women that fear God and work righteousness.** {FE 90.2}
7. **Put off all manifestations of self-importance, for this can be no help to you in your work; and yet I beseech you to place a high estimate upon your own character, for you are bought with an infinite price.** (6T 159)
8. **The purpose of education is to glorify God... God invites teachers to be His helping hand in carrying out this purpose.** {CT 229}
9. **The Lord calls for pastors, teachers, and evangelists..... The world needs to see in Christians an evidence of the power of Christianity. Not merely in a few places, but throughout the world, messages of mercy are needed.** {GW 28}
10. Bear in mind that the Lord will accept as teachers only those who will be gospel teachers. A great responsibility rests upon those who attempt to teach the last gospel message. **They are to be laborers together with God in the training of human minds.** (FE 527)