

# Eight words that have changed the lives of thousands of people

**FROM THE BOOK THAT HAS BROUGHT NEW HOPE, COURAGE, ENERGY, AND SPIRITUAL STRENGTH TO MEN AND WOMEN EVERYWHERE**

**T**HE EIGHT WORDS first traveled from China in a letter. It was written by a young woman to a doctor who had been especially kind to her.

"The words are on a brass plate," she wrote, "in a beautiful Chinese garden. When they were translated for me, I remembered the lines in your face. How tired you looked! The nurses told me you were in the hospital practically day and night. When you receive this letter, please sit down very quietly — and think about the eight words."

The next day the doctor went to his office and announced that he was going on his first vacation in many years. (A trip that he later said probably added years to his life.)

After his retirement, Dr. Frederic Loomis wrote an article about his personal experiences. He included the full text of the letter from China. No one was more surprised than he at the immediate response to the power of these eight simple words. Letters poured in from all over the world telling of lives redirected . . . of worries and tensions relaxed . . . of hope and courage renewed.

## Words That DO Things for People

The eight words that changed the lives of so many people are now included in a book that has come to have a special magic of its own. It is called **LIGHT FROM MANY LAMPS**. It is a book that searches the past for the wisdom, philosophy, and inspiration needed for more confident living today, and a more hopeful future. In it you will find a treasury of thoughts and ideas that DO things for people.

For example, do you know the Longfellow poem that Henry Ford credited with inspiring

him to effort and achievement all his life — and that Gandhi quoted in times of illness and despair? What is the secret of self-victory that famous novelist A. J. Cronin learned from an old Scotsman just in time to save himself from failure as a writer? What are the 14 words writer David Grayson discovered (in the ancient teachings of Marcus Aurelius) that brought him victory over pain after months of illness.

Do you know the "magic motto" an ancient monarch ordered his wise men to formulate, for guidance in his times of distress — 5 words that Robert Louis Stevenson recalled to ease his pain — and which comforted Abraham Lincoln during the darkest days of the Civil War?

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**LIGHT FROM MANY LAMPS** is really a new kind of book. Its editor, Lillian Eichler Watson, searched out the lives of great men and women (and of ordinary everyday people) who in a moment of crisis had uttered a phrase or sentence, written a poem or sermon, that has enriched and changed the lives of all who heard

or read it. The result is a book whose first edition was quickly sold out. It has been a sell-out in fourteen succeeding editions. Over one hundred thousand copies are now in print!

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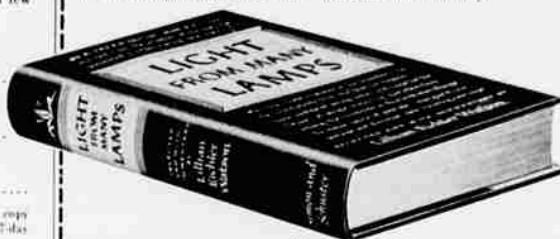
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