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Dear John-

So that you would know that I haven't been raptured, I thought I had better write once!

Have you ever done anything or would you have any bibliography on Luther's understanding of the use of God's Word in daily life? I took a Correspondence Course with Pappa Spitz some years back and wrote quite a chapter on Luther and the Word. But it was largely polemical. This would be something that would show John and Jane Doe Lutheran today that Martin did more than just fight the Pope. Yes, I know it could be argued that even in his use of the Word he was fighting his antichristian majesty, but I'm looking for practical counsel from Brother Martin on his attitude toward using Scripture in day to day living.

Have been working at Spring-Wayne and at an Extension at Sauk Rapids, Minnesota in the D. Min program. Finished one Indepent Study Course with Klug and Teaching the Confessions to the Congregation. Now I should get out one Independant yet this winter and then 12 more hours are needed before the Paper. Wanted to take a course here in Minnesota put on by our District on Pastor as Teacher in the congregation, but Wil Rosin vetoed it. I guess he wants all to come through their auspices.

Would you know if there is something on Luther in a popular vein like Reu did for the young people a quarter of a century ago? Preached out in Indian Territory for the Huron, SD Circuit 450th of the AC and 400th of The Book of Concord and some must have stayed awake; they don't want to wait another 100 years to celebrate. They want a Reformation Rally for their Circuit each Fall. We are planning that here also but it would help if we could provide good, solid, contemporary bulletin inserts before. Lutheranism by and large forgets to look at the rock from which it has been digged and as a result, Reconciliation Festivals are taking the place of Reformation Festivals.

Wishing you and yours God's best in the new year.

Sincerely,

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