

that knocketh it shall be opened -

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My very dear James,

I do not feel as if I could allow this day to pass without addressing a few lines to thee. It is a day to be remembered. From this day thou art accountable ² to the world for thy acts and words. Set a watch ¹ upon thy lips and look well to thy doings - Thou wast like

like Samuel of Old, asked
of God and dedicated to Him
from thy birth - Many and
 fervent petitions have been
put up on thy behalf by
thy dear departed parent
as well as myself that thou
might be preserved from
the evils of the world, that
thou might grow in grace
as thou grew in years, that
thou might become a pillar
in His house below, and
having served Him in time

might

might serve Him through all
Eternity. - Be in earnest
my dear boy to make thy
calling and election sure -
'Strive to enter in at the
straight gate' - 'Straight is
the gate and narrow is the
way' - 'Love not the world
neither the things that are
in the world. If any man
love the world the love of
the Father is not in him
For all that is in the world,
the lust of the flesh, the
lust

lust of the eye, and the pride
of life is not of the Father;
but is of the world. And
the world passeth away
and the lust thereof; but
he that doeth the will of God
abideth forever." I John II & 15-17^{with}

Go to thy Heavenly Father
and He will direct thy steps
"Ask and ^{it} ye shall ^{be} given you;
seek and ye shall find;
knock and it shall be opened
unto you: For every one that
asketh receiveth; and he that
seeketh findeth; and to him