Plowing symbolises service, God's service. Between the ox & the farmer, who's the biggest & most powerful? The ox is many times as big as the man & much more powerful, but it's the farmer who really has the most power. Not the same kind of power, not just the power of the flesh, the farmer has his power in his brains, sort of like by the Spirit, & the ox goad.

In a way, the Farmer is really God & you're His hand that He's using to control the ox goad. The goad is sharp & is a symbol of the Word. The Word pricks their consciences & their hearts.
The Word in your hand really pricks them. It hurts so much that if they’re stubborn & won’t move, you poke them again with the Word & keep poking till they move.

And if he’s real stubborn & refuses to go...

POKE!
POKE!

... then he kicks back at you!

Last night Juan Manuel was kicking back at Maria, making slighting & insulting remarks. In other words, what he was really saying was—

What are you doing preaching to me when you’re sinning along with me!?

The Bible again! More Bible! More Sermons!

KICK! KICK! KICK! KICK!
He’s trying to resist the conviction because he doesn’t want to get involved, since he knows it’s getting involved with the Lord. It’s against the Lord’s love they’re hardening their heart!

So I got disgusted & thought to myself...

What’s the use of you wasting all this time & female flesh & love on these guys when they don’t appreciate it?
And the verse that came to me was, "Love, real love, beareth all things!" (1 Cor. 13:7)

It might do you good to read the whole chapter of 1 Corinthians 13 every morning.

Jesus come into my heart!

God bless you! I really love you!

The sweetest man & greatest soul winner I ever knew made it a lifetime habit to first read 1 Corinthians 13 every morning before he read any other chapter! (Old Dr. Koger—See Nos. 679, 953:3.)

The other thing that came to me was, "Love suffers long & is kind!" (1 Cor. 13:4)

My mother used to scold us kids when we'd say —

Well, he just kept doing it to me Mama, until finally I blew up!

Does it say here love suffers long & then blows up? No! Love suffers long & is still kind! Your labour of love, beloved, is not wasted! God is going to give you credit for every bit of it! LOVE NEVER FAILS! Even if they reject it & go to hell, it still didn’t fail! Your love is going to accomplish its purpose just like God’s Word!
"Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Cor. 15:58) Hallelujah! TYL! Well, it's a labour of love, isn't it? Amen!

We're not very persistent sometimes, are we? We're easily moved away from our fish & go off to something else instead of finishing the job.

If you don't have any results because you fail & you don't love, pray & keep up on your fish, then you can't blame that on God or the fish.

Yes, I'd love to see you again! How about tonight?

If they run off, then you can't do anything more, but if they're still on the line, try to play them in!

So sometimes when you feel like it's all just a lot of work & no fruit, remember the Lord will still give you credit!

I've got it all written down!

"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work & labour of love which ye have showed towards His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints & do minister." (Heb. 6:10) — Now, is that enough? Are you going to work on your fish? — Amen! ILY! LOVE NEVER FAILS! God bless you all!!!