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description.

Russell H. Conwell, an atheist, who boasted of the fact, became a captain during the Civil War. Before starting South with his company, a samll boy by the name of Johnny Ring was enlisted as Captain Conwell's personal servant. This boy had promised his mother that he would always read his Bible, but Captain Conwell, when he found the boy reading the Bible, drove him from the tent and refused the boy permission to read it. In spite of this Johnny was devoted to his Captain, and through a series of events, portraying two large battles, burning of camp, etc., Johnny Ring lost his life, after braving untold dangers to save his captain's sword. The boy's death made a deep impression on Captain Conwell, so that when later while leading another charge in the Kennesaw Mountains, he was severely wounded and left on the field of battle for dead. In the long hours of pain and agony, Captain Conwell found his God and vowed that if it were the Lord's will to spare his life, he would go forth and do the work of two men for God, one for Johnny Ring and one for himself.

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