

The facts of moral responsibility are not outside the sphere of politics. What is the universal principle of obligation? Surely it is to follow that which our conscience discerns to be right.

The statesman should ever keep his principles before party. In looking at the past we see that very often politicians have sacrificed principle for power. The politician should remember that justice should rule alike in the actions of individual man, and in the aggregate of individual men which constitute the nation. The public conscience should dominate customs, legislation and diplomacy just as the personal conscience should dominate the thoughts, words and works of every man. There is only one law ruling throughout the universe absolute, eternal unchangeable. In obedience to it alone is liberty. The correct interpretation of that principle by the statesman is the guarantee of liberty to the people, and the correct insight into history is almost indispensable to this interpreting power.

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The Relation of the Holy Spirit to the Peculiar Problems of College Life.

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The importance of this subject is readily recognized. Solve this problem and you have the key to the solution of all the problems involved in the Christian life of our colleges. Every department of life has problems peculiar to itself; every community of Christians has them; and the college community is no exception to the rule. But where peculiar problems abound grace does much more abound.

The first requisite to the application of the Spirit to the problems of college life is *a knowledge of the Holy Spirit*. Jesus said of the persecutions to come to his disciples, "These things will they do unto you because they have not known the Father nor me." And there can be no possible doubt that many of our mistakes are due to an imperfect knowledge of the Holy Spirit, the revealer of Christ. Every student of science knows that if he would utilize a force he must first know it. During the past twenty-five years men have been studying electricity more than ever before; and because they have found out the laws by which it works, it is now largely used in the mechanical arts. There is no more electricity in the world to-day than thousands of years ago. During the past ages it flashed in the sky as if to give our forefathers a broad hint to use it for the illumination of their homes and cities, but they knew neither its nature nor its laws, and hence the application of this marvellous force to scientific and industrial pursuits remained for the men of the present generation. So with the Holy Spirit, if we would apply His power, the greatest of all