

its manifold perplexities, toward our fellow-creatures, and toward the mysteries which encompass us. Face these insistent and ever-present actualities gently and faithfully; be patient; be brave; be kind; be large-hearted; seek the ends which you know to be best and highest. This is 'willing to do the will of God'; and the assurance is that in so doing we shall 'come to know of the teaching' of our Lord. We shall recognise its reasonableness; and it will fit in with our experience, and thus irresistibly attest its truth. It will prove itself the right key by opening the door. — *See Table Talk*

This is the only and the infallible way to find the clue of the labyrinth and emerge into the broad light of day. It is the underlying reason of that wise counsel of Coleridge:* 'The best way to bring a clever young man who has become sceptical and unsettled to reason, is to make him *feel* something in any way. Love, if sincere and unworldly, will, in nine cases out of ten, bring him to a sense and assurance of something real and actual; and that sense alone will make him *think* to a sound purpose, instead of

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the labyrinth.

* *Table Talk*, May 17, 1830.