

like the ghost in Macbeth, to start later into realities, that seize the soul they had first haunted.

Philosophy, however, unsupported by theology, in other words, the most cultivated natural reason, if unaided and unenlightened by revealed truth, is an ineffective, and, from its inefficiency, a dangerous guide. There is no sadder spectacle than cultivated intellect arrayed against revealed truth. I claim then a place on our curriculum for the study of Christian Doctrine, not alone because of its relations to the momentous question of eternity, but because a course of studies, however comprehensive otherwise, is, if religion be omitted, simply illogical. The existence of God is found in all subjects of knowledge. It is handed down to us by history, brought home to us by metaphysical necessity, urged on us by the testimony of our conscience. It is the primary truth of the natural as well as of the supernatural order—a truth encompassing and absorbing all truths conceivable. All principles run into it; all phenomena converge to it. To investigate then any part or any order of knowledge, and to stop short of that which enters every part and every order, is, I contend, unphilosophical. The study of religion cannot be eliminated from our course, without impairing the fulness, disturbing the mutual relations, and destroying the logical harmony, of all science.

Truth is in relation. Your specialists view their theories only from one standpoint. With them inferences are matters of easy labor. *Qui respiciunt ad pauca, de facili pronuntiant.* They misinterpret the mutual bearings of the truths of the physical and superphysical orders respectively, for the reason, that in their mind they have dislocated these truths from the relative positions they occupy in the mind of God. Their systems, need we wonder, are but so many incoherent units which are constantly repelling and displacing one another. "They have not God in their knowledge," and their theories lack the fulness and harmony which revealed truth alone can impart.

Bacon long ago wrote: "a little knowledge leads away from God, but much knowledge leads back to God." Bacon is right. In our knowledge of God all sciences must find their harmony and dialectic completeness. If there is truth in the Platonic doctrine, that ideas are the eternal archetypes of all visible things, in other words, that the elements of all science exist in embryo in the intellect of the Deity, and there hold their eternal synthesis, we can conclude logically, that these elements,