

Should you ask for an illustrious example of that perfect culture you will find it in Him by whose lips those words were first of all pronounced. His heart is pure and warm; His mind is clear and unprejudiced; His spirit is without guile; He bore no bitterness, "Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously", He is strong with all the strength of a lion for He is the "Lion of the tribe of Judah"; He is gentle with all the gentleness of a Lamb for "He is the Lamb of God"; He holds in perfect poise all the opposites of character. To put it in George Dana Boardman's splendid summary, He was: "gracious without condescension; just without severity; lenient without laxity; flexible without vacillation; patient without stoicism; decisive without bluntness; imperative without imperiousness; heroic without coarseness; indignant without bitterness; forgiving without feebleness; sociable without familiarity; in a word He was absolutely perfect, and yet absolutely natural."

It is only as we come into the clear atmosphere of such lofty standards and perfect