

for himself the all terrible beauty of truth; so that he will become a man with a message—not a traditionalist—but one who feels that he is sent with distinct tidings from the unseen which no one else can exactly declare. It has been truly said that we may pound on the pulpit or on the anvil—it is all one—if we have not vision. O for the awakening in the human spirit of this vision, this romance of faith, this personal, warm, almost untranslatable sense of the spiritual! It requires no prophetic insight to declare that its advent will not be long delayed and that the triumph of the kingdom of spirit is at hand. With all the signs of lethargy and indifference and materialism and traditionalism about us it is even so these days that the kingdom of heaven is beginning to suffer violence and that the violent are preparing to take it by force.

“ 'Tis an age on ages telling
To be living is sublime.”

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