

in Revelations, concerning the "Lamb that hath been slain from the foundation of the world."

Whether we can explain it or not, it must be that the world has been, is, and will be, the legitimate and logical working out of God's purposes. It must be folly to suppose, that Satan overthrew God's plans, or that chance or circumstances or man's choice, or any other power misdirected the stream of humanity, whose source is the very heart of the Eternal.

When God made man with moral, animal and spiritual nature, He knew that it meant conflict which would result in what we call sin, but He made provision in Jesus Christ by which man may learn to take into his nature the power of God, if not God Himself, and thus be more than a match for the subtle temptations of that trinity of evil forces, known as "sin, the flesh and the Devil." And it can therefore be said, of all who take God's provision for the cure of sin, "that where sin abounded, grace did much more abound."

Nor is there anything in the views now expressed which makes God responsible for