

a specialist will doubtless find some Manichee or Evolutionist in past time who was converted by the words : " In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth : " and a seeker after Divinity who found faith in the prayer, " Even so come, Lord Jesus ! " He will find the third verse of the first chapter of Genesis moving the poetic soul of Zenobia's prime minister, Longinus, and leading him to write in his treatise on the Sublime : " Thus the lawgiver of the Jews was no common man, who rightly understood and set forth the divine power, writing in the preface to his laws and saying ; ' And God said—What ? Let there be light, and it was.' " And, in Martin Luther's mind, he will find the ' God said ' awaking the memorable thought : " God speaks not grammatical vocables but existing things, so that what with us is but a sound is with God a thing. Thus the sun and the moon, heaven and earth, Peter and Paul, you and I, are words of God, yea, even syllables or letters in comparison with the whole creation." He will find the Rabbins of old and the Magi, the Fathers and the Schoolmen even, deeply impressed individually with certain special portions of Divine wisdom, while sceptics, such as Voltaire and Rousseau, Mill and Renan, have not been altogether hide-proof to their beauty and their power. But the historico-dynamic Bible asks for greater things. The following are but a " spicilegium " from many a rich harvest field.

The Bible itself contains many instances of the revelation of one age becoming the power of God in another. One of the most striking of these is that of the Ethiopian Eunuch, whom the words of Isaiah liii., 7, 8, through the explanation of them by Philip, led to the truth and doubtless to the founding of the Abyssinian Church, now sadly fallen from her high estate. In the end of the third century, Antony, a wealthy Egyptian orphan, heard, in a humble Christian assembly, the story of the rich young man in Matthew xix., 21, and at once sold all his possessions and gave to the poor. He withdrew from the world indeed to seek Christ in the desert, but there he was sought out by people of all conditions in earnest about their