

# LECTURE.

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## SIN AND GRACE CONSIDERED IN RELATION TO GOD'S MORAL GOVERNMENT OF MAN.

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THE sources of moral influence indicated by the terms Sin and Grace are not discoveries made by man, but information communicated to him. Revelation not only furnishes new subjects of thought, but sheds additional light on the whole course of providence. But it does not manifest all things happening under the course of providence so clearly to us, as to leave no further light either desirable or possible. On the contrary, it indicates that what we now see only through a glass darkly, we shall yet see in the light of noon-day; and that, what is unknowable by us now, we shall know hereafter. Out of our relation to Revelation arises our duty to study its credentials and contents. Whatever Revelation may be intrinsically, its regulative influence on our life is according to what our thought concerning it is. Though our thought can add nothing to the contents of Revelation, it may