

the form of a slave, being made in the likeness of men. No human being can be fully possessed of the idea that the Most High completely identified Himself with us by bearing the sharpest of our ills, and that amidst all our most galling limitations, without being exalted and transformed by the thought. But this marvellous fact of history needs to be continually translated out of the formulas of a vanished past into the living, throbbing thought-forms of the present time.

He recognizes that this age is longing for final certainty, for a source of authority for the mind as well as for the heart. He finds this in the teaching of Christ who is the light of all Scripture, and by whose words we must test all doctrines, conclusions and commands. The broad outline of His vision of things human and divine, the central verities which appear firm and unchangeable in all the reports of His teaching, the point of view from which He discovered and interpreted the mystery of life, must be our ultimatum. And the condition of perceiving the teaching of Jesus, and still more of interpreting it to the heart of humanity, is not only intellectual diligence, but communion with Him. It is only by dwelling with Him and taking in His character and personality, as profoundly, as vitally, as if we had partaken of His flesh and blood, as if His sacred humanity had been interwoven with the fibre of our heart and pulsed with secret power in all our veins, that we can possess His doctrine as it is, and set it forth with luminous conviction to the souls of men. If we shrink appalled from the task before us, or find ourselves constantly fearing the issue; it is because we have dropped out of full fellowship with Him who is our Peace, our Hope, our Light and our Strength.

The teachings of Jesus met the wants of the age by offering a solution of its three greatest problems, viz., moral freedom, the relation of God to the universe and man's duty to his fellows. Whether man is a free agent or not is still a very living question. The creed of a constantly increasing section of literature is Determinism—in older and better understood phraseology, Fatalism. The influence of heredity has been