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The last command of Christ not the deep and final ground of missionary duty, but

- (1) The character of God; (2) The personality of Christ; (3) The purpose of the Christian Church; (4) The need of humanity. And only Christianity can meet these needs. It does so by striking down to the individual and saving him.

But we are told that these motives are dead and inoperative, that they cannot live—(a) With the new theology, (b) With “the force of evolution.”

But the missionary motive does not change:

It has always been moral and not merely pathological.

The fundamental motive,—but there are others.

- (1) The outward movement of civilisation requires the missionary enterprise—To advance it, to support it, to correct it; (2) The Church also requires it; (3) The special urgencies of our own day. The condition of transition in Asia; the need and collapse of Romanism in South America.

It is objected

- (1) That we ought not to interfere with the religious ideas and institutions of the non-Christian people; (2) That so much is to be done at home that it is wrong