

not mine, but I give a hearty Amen to it, and only find fault with it because it is not strong enough. When men, therefore, attempt to pour ridicule upon the legitimate deductions of scientific investigation, that have passed through the periods of trial, discussion, and proof, as if they were less praiseworthy than the declarations of the written revelations, I say to them, "No ground can be less tenable than such a ground as yours if we will look at the way in which the written revelation is misunderstood, and into the infinite splittings and divisions which men have made in attempting to interpret what is said to be the more stable revelation of truth. It is said, or thought, that a layman should not meddle with that which can be judged by only scientific experts; that science demands a special training before one can discern correctly its facts, or judge wisely of the force of its conclusions. This is true; it is true both of those who accept, and those who deny its results. But, when time and investigation have brought the scientific world to an agreement, and its discoveries pass into the hands of all men, there comes an important duty, which moral teachers, parents, and especially clergymen, are perhaps as well, or better, fitted to fulfil than mere scientists, viz., to determine what effect the discoveries of science will have upon questions of morality and religion. It is to this aspect that the best minds of the Christian ministry are now addressing themselves.

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I WOULD rather be a sick philosopher than a healthy fool.
I would rather be a dissatisfied fool than a satisfied bigot.
I would rather be a dissatisfied Socrates than a satisfied fool.
—*John Stuart Mill.*

THE only thing which is really good is that Living Love that wills the blessedness of others.—*Lotze.*

NO MAN, no church, is strong that is fed on guesses.—*Joseph Cook.*