

does not live by bread alone," that man is endowed with a higher nature than that which physical bread can satisfy; a nature which can be satisfied only by the word, the truth of God. If you tread the animal nature, with its seductions, under you, whenever they interfere with your higher life, then you realize that you are something higher than an animal, that you too are a son of God. It is only when you realize that you cannot be satisfied with pleasure that is merely sensual, it is only then that you can overcome the temptations of such pleasures as Christ overcame.

The tempter seems to have realized that this was a somewhat clumsy attempt on his part, that the great being whom he had attempted to win by such inducements had a higher nature, which must be appealed to, and then he strikes on a different tack. "Granted that you have a higher nature," he seems to say, "if you be the Son of God, if you have any real glorious mission, then you may despise this lower nature with all its laws; you may throw yourself down from this temple, and the angels of God will take care of you." This is thrown into an extremely Oriental form, and we must fire our cold Western imagination before we can penetrate beyond the Oriental expression. But if we catch something of its real significance, is this after all, a temptation that is unfamiliar? It seems, in fact, a temptation to which students are apt to fall victims more readily than others. A student, is almost forced by the work in which he is engaged to realize the higher nature with which we are endowed. Looking forward, also, to a profession of noble character, he may very naturally and very reasonably feel that the work of his life is to advance the Kingdom of God, and he may think that, having such noble work in view, it is quite legitimate for him to set at naught the laws of his lower physical nature. Is it not unfortunate that many ardent students have wrecked their physical lives at the very beginning of their career? They have, in fact, cast themselves down in a very reckless and foolhardy manner from the pinnacle of the