

multiplication table and philosophy, whereas the atonement of Christ is the heart of the Eternal, it is the great heart of the Almighty beating with love and compassion for men; and to attempt to reduce it to any theory is simply presumptuous and hopeless. We have to look up and see, in the words of Faber, that "The heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind." I can always think of it best in this imagery to which I have already alluded, where Jesus Himself said, "The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." Here are the sheep, and here are the wolves, and here is the good shepherd. I understand so much thoroughly, the fact I should have died from the wolves if Jesus Christ had not died for me. Now you ask the explanation of this. I bless God that the atonement is so great I cannot measure it, that the heart of the Eternal is so deep I cannot sound it. There is such a vastness in atoning love, there is such fulness in it, that it cannot be reduced to any form of speech, and the reverent heart comes at last to see the great burning, loving heart of the Eternal, and to be quiet in adoring love and trust. So must it be all the way through. . . . If only we could see the myriads of the world in their darkness and poverty; if only we could see them in their divine possibilities, if only we could hear the voice of the Eternal, "Go tell them that I have sought for them to save them" if we knew the mercy of that great heart which gave itself for all men's sins—we should hasten to tell every creature that Christ has died for him and that He wants him in His Father's house. When we have heard the appeal of our imagination, and let it rule our life and work, when we have left our multiplication table and philosophy and our unbelief, our brick and mortar, and stone and lumber behind, and know the power of a consecrated heart filled with the truth of God and ruled by the Spirit of God, then shall

we go and teach, and we shall see the Day Star arising in the hearts of the children of men.

"O men, imagine it! look out, look up, look abroad over the land and over the world. Take the facts of the Gospel: take them, hold them, let nothing on earth separate you from the redeeming love of Jesus Christ, the love of God and the love of your Saviour. Go with the open eyes of the mind along the paths of the world. Go out and appeal to the imagination of men, to the spirit that is in them, and men shall respond and there shall come a flocking of the souls of men into the house of the Eternal."

An intensely interesting address was given by Prof. W. W. Moore, of Hampden-Sidney, Va., on "The Land of Promise," in which he sought, among other things, to show that by its location and structure Palestine was adapted, as no other country on earth was, to God's purpose of preparing a pure religion through centuries of preparation and training, and then of publishing that religion to the whole world. The conditions necessary for the accomplishment of these ends, were that the place in which they should be wrought out be isolated, central and cosmopolitan. The physical features of Palestine and its position geographically on the highway of oriental nations, show at once how the first two conditions are fulfilled. With reference to the third condition, we quote from Prof. Moore, as follows:—

"Palestine is but a pin point on the surface of the earth, but she has influenced humanity more profoundly and beneficently than all the other countries combined. But small as Palestine is, still, in diversity of surface, range of climate, and variety of products, it has absolutely no parallel. It is the supreme instance of "*Multum in parvo*," a veritable microcosm, a perfect world in miniature. Its climate embraces every gradation of temperature, from