

relative to the empire. From the point of view of universal history, the theory of the church may be regarded as a transitional form of individualism. i.e. the Stoics had tried to give the indiv^{id}'s independence of idea of state, but idea of state yet so strong that no outlet thro' pure individualism seemed possible. In order to free themselves from pressure of secular state it was necessary to set up another state over against it - the spiritual state - a strong testimony to strength of the concept of the state.

It has been common till recently for modern Radicals, American public opinion etc to condemn the med. church in its struggle for independence: as regarding its endeavoring to impose priestcraft on mankind - a more historical view is that of Auguste Comte (Positive Philosophy) that the attitude of med^l church was on the whole justified in that it maintained other ideals & points of view than the political. It was really representing the spiritual in man & the new force of conscience wh. Christianity has enormously increased &