

so promotes the thirst for mere novelty of doctrine, a thirst created perhaps by the rapid inventions which make one decade almost antiquated in the next.

Still while all this is true McMaster would be poorly prepared for her work if she failed to recognize the redeeming features of the age. This maelstrom of discussion has done immense service. Christ's peerless perfection is acknowledged on every side; Christian evidences are more unassailable than ever; emphasis is being placed on life as perhaps never before; the offices of the Holy Spirit are being recognized more fully; missionary activity is growing more widespread, and the work of God is being pushed all over the world by larger numbers of men of great faith than the world has ever known before. Pessimism may hide her head, "He maketh the wrath of man to praise Him." Out of the fires of testing God has been bringing purified faith and life.

III. What now is McMaster's relation to the trend of thought that has been thus briefly and imperfectly outlined? What is the highest service she can render the age? The answer can be put in a few words. Let this University be true to her ideal, and confess humbly, yet boldly and fully, the unchallenged Lordship of Jesus Christ. We hail him as Lord, not simply because among the characters of history our reason recognizes His pre-eminence, but as those who have been born again we have been enabled by the Holy Ghost to call Him Lord, and yield Him the homage of our whole being. "To this end," we know, "He both died and rose again that He might be Lord." To all whom He saves He must be Lord. This involves three things at least that must be mentioned here.

1. *McMaster honors Christ as the Infallible Teacher.* Were He merely man, we should still believe Him to be the safest guide among the sons of men. With intellect unclouded by sin, sensibilities unblunted, and will ever unerring, who among the mighty so sure of knowledge and of truth as He? His judgment on matters of criticism, would, even on the wholly human plane, be incomparably superior to that of any other. But we know Him to be "God manifest in the flesh." The scriptural declaration about His self-emptying we unhesitatingly accept. But we cannot accept the inference that some draw