

"The test of any doctrine is whether it can be translated into life, whether it will make any difference to the individual who accepts it."

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It is through the subconscious self that every man is potentially divine.

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"The big Baptist church on the Boulevard is run by old Sedges, as canny a rascal as you could find in the state. The inside of his cup has never been touched, though he was once immersed in the Mississippi, they say, and swallowed a lot of water."

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Why, that fellow, Funk, they sent to the penitentiary the other day for breaking into the Addicks' house isn't a circumstance to Eldon Parr. He's robbed his tens of thousands, and goes on robbing them right along. By the way, Mr. Parr took most of Addick's money before Funk got his silver."

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There are so many parsons in these days who don't seem to see any inconsistency in robbing several thousand people to build settlement houses and carved marble altars, and who wouldn't accept a Christmas box from a highwayman.

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You want a parson who will stick to his last, not too high or too low or too broad or too narrow, who has intellect without too much initiative . . . and will not get the church uncomfortably full of strangers and run you out of your pews.

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"I don't see what business it is of a clergyman, or of any one else, whether I own property in Dalton street," Mr. Plimpton had said, as he sat on the edge of the lawyer's polished mahogany desk. "What does he expect us to do, —allow our real estate to remain unproductive merely for sentimental reasons? That's like a parson, most of 'em haven't got any more common sense than that. What right has he got to go nosing around Dalton street? Why doesn't he stick to his church?"

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We were learning that there was something infinitely more sacred than property.

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"The Inside of the Cup" is a book worth while. We have carefully reviewed its contents and provided a few of the many sparkling paragraphs to be found between its lids. Like every great book, it leaves us musing and for a practical application we append the thoughts which linger after we have closed the book.

First. The average Christian is sure of the mysteries of religion, but shy on the plain essentials which apply to the duties and responsibilities of daily