

sweep the whole man, body, soul and spirit, in all his relationships—social, domestic, political, personal—into the imperial purpose of the Kingdom of God.

This, my friends, is "the finish" to which we look when "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth." Only let us remember it shall not come in the power of a mere principle nor in the wisdom of men. It shall come not apart from a Divine Sovereign. There is no one of our great prophets who cherishes that hope apart from a King. The key to the future is furnished by all in the words of Isaiah: "Behold a King shall reign in righteousness." It is His presence alone that will bring in the "golden day." His day may be near or distant, we know not. But this we know, that we can hasten the day of His power, we can prepare the way of the Lord, we can raise up a highway for the King. We can level the mountains and exalt the valleys and make smooth the rough and make straight the crooked. Until, when He shall stand within our midst His righteousness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the face of the deep.