

CHRISTUS FUTURUS

CHAPTER III

THE ACTIONS OF JESUS

If "for this world the word of God is Christ" the words the Christ spoke can only be part of his message. By obedience to his words we shall be justified or condemned, but it was by his works that he asked us to judge of him. By his actions, whose significance does not depend on their being miraculous, Jesus teaches the power of his presence, and that the will of God is directed against suffering as against sin.

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CHAPTER IV

FAITH

Faith is a true estimate of those qualities of personality which are hidden from sense. A man's faith depends, not only on his own qualities, but also on the standard of corporate faith. A man cannot measure his own faith or that of another. The only test of faith is its result.

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CHAPTER V

CORPORATE FAITH

The race is a corporate unity. The laws of corporate thought are universal, and must govern the condition of the Church. Church and world are alike affected by mental epidemics and popular reform movements. Therefore the Church can only be pure in the degree that she purifies the world, be at peace as she pacifies the world, comprehend truth as she teaches the world to comprehend it. The degree of isolation proved desirable for any community does not counteract the invisible influence of the world's thought upon it.

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CHAPTER VI

THE DOCTRINE OF PRAYER

Jesus sets forth his doctrine of prayer in his works. He teaches a constant procession of life from God to the world. This life gives physical and mental health, the knowledge of forgiveness, and the desire to live and die for men.

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