

duties, personal, domestic, social, national ! Has it been a mere theological tenet ; or has it been a mighty living influence moulding to noblest aims and ends the character of men, the character of peoples ? Is there any truth, any thought any knowledge, that brings to bear upon our conduct, such deep and sacred obligations, or gives such powerful incentive and sweet encouragement ? Has anything ever given such dignity to man—such dignity to the humblest man : Yea, such dignity to the loftiest man ; such dignity to labour, or so hallowed every scene of human life ? Now, not more essential and vital, in the realm of physics, is the law of gravitation than is the doctrine of the Incarnation in the realm of moral and spiritual life. The lecturer further showed what a powerful and beneficent influence this doctrine exercises on a man in his relation to, and treatment of others. Were this doctrine only believed and acted on, we would soon have a new, a better, a more beautiful world.

The lecturer similarly treated the doctrines of justification and atonement, showing how they were not dead, but living words—words of healing for soul and body ; how they had lifted men and sent them on to lives of new obedience—lives of beauty and usefulness. The New Testament is full of doctrines which not only may be, but have been, the most quickening, sanctifying, elevating, light and life-giving forces. Every one of its doctrines is part of the bread of life.

The lecturer ended by warning the students that no doctrine was of any value ; or had any power, except in so far as it is believed and lived. It is not to be a thing of the intellect only, but it must lay hold of the heart, and conscience and will, and penetrate and permeate the whole moral nature and life.

Behind and in all doctrines, all ordinances, all sacraments, One lives : and they have life only in so far as He is seen and felt living in them.