

Temptation showed that Jesus had had a tremendous struggle to determine His life-work and the method by which His Kingdom was to be brought about. In the story of His baptism we may see the method of His choice. Jesus' work was not to get men baptized with water but with the Holy Spirit. But Christ did not stand aloof from John because their aim and method were not entirely one. John's work was making for righteousness and so He identified Himself with it. He said, "Suffer it to be so now, for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." It becometh us also. There is a great tendency in our day to insist upon our rights. But are we justified in calling anything our "right" if it means the curse or the neglect of other men? Our Lord's principle in deciding the manner in which He would do His life-work was to submit to all that makes for righteousness. So there may be some things in the church we do not wholly approve, but till we find any institution making in greater measure for righteousness than the Christian Church we should identify ourselves with it. This same principle may be applied also to missions. We have been disregarding the actual greatness of the East. Chinese students at McGill, Harvard and other universities have headed their classes. China is mobilizing an army of twenty-five million men, and if any nation would be justified in using that army in a spirit of revenge that nation would be China. Three-quarters of the population of the British Empire is in India. The influence of these masses of the East on the West will be simply tremendous. If they exert that influence as pagans it cannot help but be a curse. But I am of those who believe, said the speaker, that if the church will do what she can do to enlighten and Christianize these nations there will come great blessing to the West from the East. For example, the church has been trying to understand the Bible, an Eastern book. When the East shall have bent all its peculiar intellectual qualities to the interpretation of that book we shall have a conception of God and of Christ that will be of incalculable benefit to the church throughout the world. These people are in a plastic, impressionable stage now, when work will count more than it has ever counted yet. In determining our life-work we must consider these things.

At this service the Choral Society sang in splendid form "The Lost Chord" and Mr. A. Beecroft sang "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross."

Much credit for the success of the conference is due to the committee in charge, of which Mr. P. T. Pilkey, M.A., was convener. They were fortunate in securing two such men as Rev. D. J. Davidson and Rev. G. M. Ross, both strong, sane men and convincing speakers, with a first-hand knowledge of conditions in India and China, and these two were ably assisted by Miss Dr. O'Hara and Dr. Buchanan, two of our own graduates who have had long experience as medical missionaries in India. Mr. Davidson said he believed Queen's, contrary to the reports he had heard, showed a deeper interest in foreign mission work than any other Canadian university. If that is true it will be more than ever true in the future, for the influence of these men, and of the conference as a whole, will not soon be lost.