

held me up. I might as well thank some of our advanced political economists for the grand conception of God they are spreading in the world, for if I had not learnt the lesson they taught me I would not have had the trust in His goodness that comforted me in trouble. The ministers are not the only preachers. They often tell us of a God who gives one man a hundred million dollars and starves his neighbor, and that conception of God does not commend and never has commended itself to me. The new economists tell us of a God who has provided sufficient for all of His children, the just and the unjust, as soon as they will change their laws into harmony with His and do justice. We know in whom we trust; but it is not the God that some of these men preach, nor in whom some of their women hearers believe.

The foregoing paragraph was written a week ago, and I had no intention of adding more to the book, but as some critic may still think I have been speaking too plainly just let me give the following editorial from the New York "World" of July 3rd. I have read a great many strange statements of late years, and heard some strange claims made, but such a piece of impudence as Mr. Rockefeller's assertion I have never come across. I give it as an illustration of the kind of God some men believe in. Mr. Rockefeller's wealth is sometimes estimated as high as \$150,000,000, all "earned" in a lifetime. And men willing to work often starve! Talk about insanity!

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"In addressing the Chicago University Mr. John D. Rockefeller, one of the chief organizers and beneficiaries of the Standard Oil Company, made a claim to divine right as bold as any which has been advanced since the great controversy on that subject in the time of Charles I.