

## IN RELIGION

a sort of supernatural being to him, amid the dangers and uncertainties of his first steps in the world. He is dependent on a higher power, and his dependence promotes an inclination of the subconscious mind that commonly shows as a religious instinct. That instinct may be developed either happily or unhappily by education and experience. It cannot be eradicated by any skeptical conviction of the conscious mind. And the failure to direct its impulse to a prosperous issue is one of the notable disasters of our civilization.

What is blocking us?

According to Doctor X, we are being blocked by faulty education, organized ignorance, the inherited errors of our forefathers, a bad tradition, and an evil use of it.

It is easier to find the image of the parent as a god in the subconscious mind of the race than in the subconscious mind of the child, because the image alters in the child's mind nowadays at an earlier period than conscious memory can recall. Doctor X has one patient, a young woman with a religious complex, whose father was a querulous invalid, irritable and exacting; he ruled over her young life, from an armchair, repressing her natural self-assertion with the stern admonition that disobedience to