

answer that the testimony of the Spirit is superior to all reason. For, as God alone is a fit witness concerning Himself in His Word, so also the Word will not find faith in the hearts of men until it is sealed by the inner testimony of the Spirit.' 'This fact,'

Zwingli.

says Zwingli,* 'only pious minds know; for it does not depend on the disputation of man, but is seated most firmly in men's souls. It is an experience; for all the pious have experienced it. It is not a doctrine; for we see that very learned men are ignorant of a fact so very salutary. It is therefore in vain that we are so anxious for some because they will not receive the Word; but it will not be in vain that we should anxiously pray God that He may deign to bestow the grace of His Spirit and draw them to the recognition of His Word.'

Application
to the
evangelic
problem:

Such is the Argument from Experience; and now see how it bears upon the question of the historicity of the evangelic records.

They profess to depict Jesus as He appeared in the days of His flesh; but this is not their

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