

of spiritual religion in the soul. This religion emerges, when the human and the Divine spirit meet and embrace. Now the Bible is a record, on a large scale, of man's reaching out after God and of God's communication of Himself to man. It reveals God as inflexible righteousness and as infinite love. What a glass it is through which to see the ever-living God! But how useless, when you put your eyes out!

A scholar, who is the ornament of a great church, was recently on trial for heresy because of his contention that the Bible, the church, and the soul (or what he calls "reason") are the three sources of authority in religion. His accusers assert there is only one ultimate authority. If the foregoing analysis be correct, neither party has the whole truth and each has a portion. There is only one ultimate authority in religion, — we mean spiritual and not dogmatic religion, — and this is the free spirit of man which finds itself in life with God. The Bible and the church, it is true, are, in a certain sense, authorities: they have the authority of pedagogues who train us up to the religion of spirit. The terms "authority," "finality,"