

depths of his contrition he cries, "To the Lord our God belongs mercies and forgiveness though we have rebelled against him." And so with Apostles. Peter, when convinced by a miracle that he was in the presence of a miracle-working master, fell upon Jesus, saying: "Depart from me for I am a sinful man, O Lord," and Paul sums up when he says: "O wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" joyfully, triumphantly answering, "I thank God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

What then do we find? The same phases of thought, the same experiences, the same consciousness of sin and defilement when the soul feels the presence of its Creator, and the same yearning for a deliverance. It was so in the

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and we read it in the story of the man of Uz. The history of kings and prophets and apostles attest the same, and all through the centuries from the 3,000 "pricked on their hearts," who uttered the cry, "men and brethren what shall we do?" down to our own times, there recurs the same. And so must it ever be when the soul wakes up in the presence of its God. Universal—in all ages of the world, in all countries, among all peoples. Old age is no exception nor manhood in its strength. The buoyancy of youth and the tenderness of childhood attest the fact and stamp it upon the consciousness of the race. But there are men who apparently ignore this; who would exclude the first great cause from this part of his work; men who are deeply versed in the physical sciences, who, with profound thought trace out the laws which regulate the visible universe; men who see in a continuous force, unvarying in its sequences, the revelation of the seen and the tangible, and resting satisfied with unlimited cause and effect, ignore the unseen.

And there are many, very many, who, half learned and conceited with their imperfect knowledge, follow in the train of these leaders. These latter we must pity for their weakness, the former

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