

Christianity of the wisdom of this world goes on, and we are often unable to meet argument by argument, and in faithless moments fancy that it will overcome at last the mighty Antagonist whom it has so often undertaken to slay. Are the gates of hell, we ask, to prevail against the Church? Men mock realities when they imagine that the difficulties of guarding the Deposit are light, when they represent the arguments against supernatural Christianity as intellectually contemptible, when they ignore the fact that all round them are perplexed and distressed souls who are nevertheless pure in intent, who are crying in the darkness, "Help Thou mine unbelief!"

All this the Apostle knew. But he does not recognise the keeping of the supernatural faith as possible to Nature. We are to keep the Fair Deposit through the Holy Ghost.