

allow the rewards of individual effort to become so great that the community suffers in general well-being thereby. The altruism of the Gospel is developing a class of men who find a personal reward in the good of the community which has nourished them. We have accomplished some forms of socialistic organizations which have enriched the life of the community and have increased the power and the range of influence of the individual and have greatly enhanced the rewards of personal effort. Therefore, in the controversies between individualism and the many forms of socialism, we may, as a Church, declare in favor of any form of communal organization which, while it enriches the life of the community, will also increase the functions and development of the individual,—the organization of trusts for the benefit of those who enter them, leading the way to the final trust in which the forces of the community will be used for the reinforcement of the power and the enrichment of the life of all the individuals composing it."

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