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THE ETHICAL DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIANITY

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I.

THE STARTING POINT.

The great aim of Christianity is to produce right character in men who have gone wrong to a greater or less degree. To this end it seeks by various considerations to awaken them to repentance and the desire for amendment. To the awakened it offers the divine forgiveness through Jesus Christ who died for them that this forgiveness might be theirs. To the forgiven, the redeemed, it presents such motives as are fitted to secure their devotion to the service of God, or in other words, to the cause of right. Until it thus gains the heart to God