

The Fact of God in Human Experience

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Scripture: *Soul of Bible*, Page 251 + 498-9²; 1 Peter 2

Text: "But in this man will I dwell, even in him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and that honoreth my word."³

Outline: As main lines of 19th century became clear we see the development of the strain of scientific spirit and investigation. He sat humbly at nature's feet and learned. Simple. Loyal to Truth. Christian in spirit but not in name.

On the other hand, the commercial development, political + social has retained the name "Christian" but violated its ethics, resulting in the collapse of civilization in the world war.

All human experience, both personal and social bears witness to "a standard in reality." To the demands of that standard men and races must conform.

God is. =

Man shares in the creative responsibility and development

¹ While there is no date in the text of this sermon, a search of the newspaper notices for sermons shows that this sermon was given on September 17, 1922 in Lancaster, PA.

² *The Soul of the Bible: Being Selections from the Old and New Testaments and the Apocrypha, arranged as Synthetic Readings*, Ulysses G. B. Pierce, ed. Introduction by Edward Everett Hale, Boston: American Unitarian Association: 1908. On page 251 there is a passage from Daniel 7; on pages 498-99 there is a passage from 1 Peter 2.

³ Isaiah 66:2.