

The Open Way
[Outline]

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- I. Relation to sermon and the ideas of last Sunday.
Through man to God—The religious and spiritual basis and sanction of moral conduct.
- II. The interpretation of the unseen world in terms of the seen.
The unseen world of law and order as indicated by nature.
The unseen world of thought and creative activity as indicated by the intellectual activities.
The unsee world of moral purpose as evidenced by the moral purpose of man.
The interpretation of the unseen world in terms of the seen.
- III. The moral and the sacramental relationship to the unseen.
The priest and the prophet.
The letter and the spirit.
The body and the soul.
- IV. The mystic sense of the relationship to the unseen.
The scientist in thought and truth.
The artist in beauty.
The moralist in goodness.
- V. The right of insistence—by the authority of the understanding heart—the moral purpose—and the creative will.
Man must and shall see this truth and the truth shall make him free.

¹ This is from the bound collection—Bundle #3; Manuscript #8-- that includes several sermons from 1908, along with reports to the Parish and the Church workers. The manuscript for the full text of the sermon, "The Open Way and the Life of Man," was collected in two other bound collections—Bundle #1; Manuscript #1; Bundle #3; Manuscript #3. The sermon was delivered on May 31, 1908.