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Doubts, and How to Dispel Them

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TEXT—"I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." John 8:12.



It is not strange that men are doubters. Sin has so blinded our moral vision that we do not see the truth as it is, but in a distorted fashion which makes it less attractive. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned." (1 Cor. 2:14).

Furthermore, the truth as it is in Jesus carries with it condemnation for the sinner, and no one enjoys reproof or rebuke. As the lawyer, willing to justify himself, said: "Who is my neighbor?" so the natural heart questions the authority of the Bible, and even the existence of God, rather than confess its sin. Add to this the fact that the devil who first injected doubt into the mind of man, and who is rightly called by our Savior the father of lies, is ever seeking to prejudice the creature against the Creator, and it is not strange that all thinking people pass through a period of doubt as to the fundamentals of religion, and some are so completely blinded that they never come out of their spiritual darkness.

In dealing with doubters it is important to ascertain their real position. Some skeptics are mere triflers who are too indolent to grapple with the truth in a resolute way, and so find it easier to doubt and drift with the current of their natural inclinations. Others use their skepticism as a cover for an ungodly life. You can say to such when they question the inspiration of the Bible that one proof of its divine origin is the fact that it describes their condition so completely, and tells how they came into that condition.

Remind them that to doubt the Bible does not alter the facts which it reveals, but it does subject them to the charge of making God a liar (1 John 5:10), and it puts them under condemnation. "He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:18, 19).

It is said that a vessel once sighted an enemy just at sundown, and kept up a cannonade until the darkness put a stop to it. When the sun arose the next morning, they were charged to find that the supposed enemy was an immense rock, which still remained intact after many hours of bombardment. So in all ages men have been demolishing the Bible as the enemy of the human race, but the old Book still stands, silent, but solid as the Rock of Ages. For trifling skeptics John 8:21, 24 is very good as showing the consequences of unbelief, while John 5:40 discloses the origin of their skepticism. "Ye will not come to me that ye might have life."

There is another class of doubters who are really desirous of knowing the truth. As some one has expressed it. "He wishes there was a God to whom he could come as a child to his father, but he does not know whether there is or not, and he wants to know. He wishes he were an immortal spirit; but he is not positive that he is anything more than an animated machine, and he seeks for evidence. He would be glad to believe that this unknown God has provided for this unknown soul some way by which it could know both its father and itself. He does not disbelieve in God or Christ, but he does not know, and he wants to know."

For such people there are two paths to the light, the intellectual and the moral. The first begins with the known and argues its way to the unknown. The creation proves a creator. Intelligent and moral beings imply a creator capable of producing such. The scientific method results only in a high degree of probability. It is true, but then we act every day on just such probabilities, and we ought to act upon them in religion.

The other method starts with the distinction between right and wrong which we all know, and which no moral man can doubt. Into this world has come Jesus of Nazareth. He meets our ideals, he commends himself to our consciousness, he commands our will. If we take his life and follow it, his teachings and obey them, we will soon find our way into the light. "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12). If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself" (John 7:17).

GOOD ROADS

GOOD ROADS PROVE BENEFIT

Improved Highways Increase Attendance at Rural Schools—States Making Greatest Progress.

While it is true that various factors contribute to increase or decrease the attendance at schools in given sections of the country, it is worthy of comment that in the states having a high percentage of improved roads a much larger percentage of the students enrolled regularly attend the schools than in the states having a small percentage of improved roads. In five eastern and western states, which have a large mileage of improved roads, the average attendance of enrolled pupils in 1908-9 was 80 per cent, while in four southern states and one northwestern state, which are noted for bad roads, the average attendance for the same year was 54 per cent—80 per cent in the good roads states as against 64 per cent in the bad roads states. In the states first named 25 per cent of the roads have been



A Good Road in New England.

Improved, while in the latter group of states there are only 1 1/2 per cent of the roads improved.

That improved roads would benefit our country school system there would seem to be no doubt. Improved roads make it possible to consolidate or centralize the schools and to establish graded schools in the rural districts. Such schools centrally located will accommodate all of the children within a radius of from four to five miles. In many communities having the advantage of improved roads commodious buildings have been provided, more competent teachers have been employed, and modern facilities for teaching have been supplied at a minimum cost. For instance, since the improvement of the main highways in Durham county, North Carolina, the number of school houses has been reduced from 65 to 42, of which 17 are graded and have two or more rooms and employ two or more teachers.

There are at the present time about two thousand consolidated rural schools in the United States. It appears that Massachusetts, Ohio and Indiana have made the greatest progress along these lines, and it is rather significant to note that in these states about one-third of the roads have been improved. According to statistics of the agricultural department, was expended in 1899, \$22,116 in Massachusetts for the conveyance of pupils to consolidated schools, but in 1908 the expenditure for this purpose amounted to \$292,213. In Indiana the expenditure for this purpose in 1904 amounted to \$86,000, while in 1908, \$250,000 was expended. This expenditure for transportation reflects, in a general way, the extent and progress of this new educational movement. It must not be understood that this is an additional burden, as the expenditure thus made is saved in other directions.

BENEFIT OF IMPROVED ROAD

Among Many Other Things It Attracts Investors Looking for Advantageous Locations.

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Everything in a Name. A Frenchman named Delamoy has invented an apparatus whereby you can wind your clock by opening and shutting a door, the winding machine doing its work by the action of the door. What is really needed, however, is an invention that, attached to a door, will get rid of people inside of the room. No known method has yet been invented to accomplish this purpose. Yet is there anything which would promote greater efficiency and comfort and give more lasting satisfaction?—Life.

Correct Attire. "What kind of a coat would you wear to a fishing party?" "I should suggest a swallow-tail."

Its Natural Place. "What is the key to the Panama canal situation?" "I guess it's in the locks."

A compliment never sounds like a lie unless it is bestowed on the other fellow.

A fat man reminds one of a bay window; a fat woman of a bale of hay.

Fair Words or None.

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