

Well we find this man then who has evidently not questioned the existence of God, not questioning His omniscience and His omnipresence, but who up to this point is oppressed by the thought that God is all around him. He cannot do anything but what God knows about it. "Thou hast beset me behind and before and laid thine hand upon me; such knowledge is too wonderful for me. It is high I cannot attain to it. Whither shall I go from thy spirit, or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up to heaven thou art there! If I make my bed in hell lo, thou art there!"

A few years ago I was a guest at Cornell U. I was speaking to a student group there and I was a guest at a student club which is ~~known~~ composed of the brightest students there in the University. That is to say, many of the brightest are in this club. It is very difficult to get into it. It is ~~very~~ endowed and there is very special financial help to those who go to it, given by a wealthy mining man from Colorado who has named the Club after the town in Colorado where he secured his wealth. He thinks he is going to train great leaders for America through the particular things == training he gives there and in the associated place in California.

I spoke there on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning. Then Sun. evening at the Club they had a meeting -- I was leaving late that evening so I was able to stay to their meeting. They had a meeting at which the Prof. of Philosophy in the U., a very well-known professor, Prof. Burke (or Burt) who has written a number of books on philosophy of religion, and who is I believe an ordained minister in the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Prof. Burt gave a lecture, a short lecture to ~~these~~ these students. There was a blackboard there, and he said what a tremendous day has come since the Middle Ages. He said, In the Middle Ages people thought of it this way -- and he drew something: here is the earth. Then here are the planets going around the earth, and here is the sun going around the earth. Then here are the stars outside, and then here is all this area -- there is GOD, and he wrote GOD in big letters. Well, now he said, Our discoveries have completely changed our understanding of the universe. Now we know the sun is in the center and the earth goes around the sun and the other other planets around the sun, and the stars that we see are mostly in our little galaxy, and there are a billion other galaxies, billions of miles away from us, and it covers all of space and he erased the name God. There is ~~a~~ just no space left for God anywhere. "I wondered how many of those ~~gi~~ bright students were quite so stupid as to be completely misled by that argument which he must have known in his mind was ridiculous. Because as this v. says, If I ascend to heaven, lo thou art there. If " make my bed in hell, thou art there." God is everywhere, and never have intelligent Christian people ever believed that God was way off outside the Universe and here was the sun and planets and all this in here. They have always known as the Bible so clearly teaches, that God is right here, He is everywhere and however distant the distant galaxies may be God is there. God is everywhere. He says no matter where I go I can't escape from God. He is everywhere.