

little circumstances that affect our lives at thousands of points are all under His close control.

What a tremendous universe the Lord has made! Planets whirling thousands of miles through space--distant suns so vast they stagger the imagination--whole galaxies of newly-discovered stars whose very existence was previously unsuspected--all give witness to the matchless power of the Creator.

No great and intricate machine in this world comes into existence through pure accident. In every case there is a directing mind back of it planning and directing it. There is purpose in the universe. The complexities of nature, the mighty cosmic forces moving in accordance with fixed laws, the wonderful inter-relationship of the various parts of the human body--these did not come into existence through chance. There is a vital factor: a directing mind who has established and controlled them. How can our plans for our lives be worth anything if they do not take into account this mighty factor--the greatest factor in all the universe.

Someone has compared this universe to a great fly-wheel several hundred feet in diameter, whirling around at a rate of a thousand revolutions a second. As this fly-wheel goes round and round at this tremendous speed a little fly is sitting on the edge of the fly-wheel, and he sometimes imagines that the fly-wheel exists simply for the sake of the fly.

Shall we, like the little fly on the great fly-wheel, think of ourselves as having created the great universe, and imagine that we can twist and change it in accordance with our purposes? Or shall we not rather try to learn what is in the mind of the Maker of it all?