

these matters but we find him taking the great essentials of the gospel and constantly pushing, them, pre-sing them, presenting them, As you read his writings it is hard to believe that he was active in those days before the Reformation, because so much of what he writes could just as well have been written by a thorough going Christian of today. He worked very hard at studying Christianity, studying how he could present it to the Moslems. Well, he said, what can I do as one man going over to speak to the Moslems. I should raise interest in it. I should get other people to study Arabic. He travelled through Europe speaking on the evidences of Christianity, and the need of presenting the truth to the Moslems. He found that people were ready to fight the Moslems, people were ready to go on pilgrimages. People were ready to go down streets scourging themselves in doing all these ceremonies. But they were not ready to go and risk their lives in order to make Christ know. He wrote much on presenting, on attacking, that is showing the folly of the type of religion that was so common then. Showing the importance of the love of Christ. He went about trying to get people to start schools in these areas. That was one place in which he did succeed to some extent. Arabic began to be taught in Europe for the first time then through his efforts. But he was unable to arouse to raise any real substantial missionary movement, though he worked very very hard on it. His presentation of the evidences of Christianity, people found very interesting but it was quite different from the ordinary ^{methods} ~~messages~~ in the theological schools of the day, and consequently did not, while people admired the scholarship, it did not have great influence. He wrote on every sort of science. He wrote many books. They say that he wrote over 400 books. Some of his books on medicine were way ahead of his time. He invented == He is said to have independently invented the mariners compass; his books on navigation are outstanding. But always == all this he was doing in order to learn how to spread the gospel and the to reach the Moslems with it. After years of trying in Europe and in going to the outskirts of the