

return of Christ, but the presence of Christ in the heart now. He "came," in fulfillment of His prediction, at Pentecost. Critics and commentators alike have been mistaken in their view as to the Parousia. Thus runs the argument in this earnest and impressive discussion. It is deeply spiritual in aim and spirit. Its views as to the Second Coming of Christ will be challenged by many. But the volume will prove an addition of great value to the reading of many a layman and pastor.

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Seed Thoughts for Right Living. By A. S. Hobart, D.D. The Griffith & Rowland Press, Philadelphia, Pa. 50 cents net.

The aim of this volume is to elevate the standard of living by applying "new methods to the teaching of old morals." It is not a book on ethics in the ordinary sense. The author defines as follows: "That is right which contributes in its net effect to the fulness of the life of man." Right living is then set forth in manifold relations. Four principles of right living are discussed in as many chapters. The first principle of right living is that every man has the right to himself; the second, no man to trespass on another; the third, love one another; the fourth, every man his pound. Part II discusses the Christian principles of right living. Part IV contains an exceedingly valuable series of chapters of suggestions to parents, children, husbands, wives, ministers, business men, customers, and numerous other classes. Part V gives a series of apostolic suggestions as to right living. The book is fresh, suggestive, timely. It ought to be widely used as a manual of instruction in the principles of right living by parents, Sunday School teachers, pastors, young people's organizations, and others.

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Making Religion Efficient. Edited by Clarence A. Barbour, D.D. Association Press, New York and London. 1912. Pp. 271. \$1.50 net.

A much needed method of preserving the history and conserving the message of the Men and Religion Forward Move-

ment, and chiefly the work of members of the teams of specialists who were active in this movement. The notable first chapter on "The Dream Come True," giving the origin, motive and history of the movement, is by Allan K. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Worcester, Mass., the unanimous choice of the specialists as possessing special qualifications for this work. The volume will serve as a valuable handbook for the use of pastors and Christian workers, giving, as it does, the cream of the seven-volume library of the Movement, which has been called "the most up-to-date authoritative word on the problems of American Christianity." The movement is unique in this, it has given itself for the life of existing institutions. The program here outlined is big, but it is the program of Jesus. Work is mapped out to engage pastors and Christian workers for years to come.

GEO. B. EAGER.

Efficient Religion. By George Arthur Andrews, author of "What Is Essential." Hodder & Stoughton, London and New York. George H. Doran Company, New York. 1912. Pp. 178. \$1.00 net.

This volume, though distinct from it, may be taken as a companion-volume with "Making Religion Efficient." Its key-note is: Religion must express itself in deed rather than in word, in action rather than in thought, if it is to convince the world of its reality and importance. The distinction must be more clearly made between religion and ecclesiasticism. True religion has never failed to grip men; ecclesiasticism has always been resisted. Christianity must do more than proclaim its doctrines, reveal its beauty, or even point triumphantly to its twenty centuries of successful history; it must show present helpfulness and efficiency, if it is to maintain and augment its influence over the men and women of this age. "What can it do?" "What is it good for?"—these are the questions men are asking to-day. To answer such questions is the object of this book. With a clear perception of economic background and needs, and a fine insight into the problems and forces involved, the author endeavors to show how the churches may enlist and mobilize their forces so as to deal effectively with present conditions.