

is independent, surely, of traditional theology, save so far as dependence is marked by reaction against the old views and forms.

Those who care to know Dr. Foster's teaching in this department, for whatever reason, will be grateful to Professor Macintosh for a very faithful presentation of it.

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