

spiritual universe is very real, and very present.

In the presence of suffering or bereavement or suffering, many a person looks up in despair, wondering if God cares. It seems sometimes as if God had made this world and then left it to work itself out, leaving mankind helpless in the clutches of inexorable circumstance. God's Word declares conclusively that this is not the case. Underneath us are God's everlasting arms. He is interested in everything that we do, and anxious to bring everything about for our best good. Jesus told us that even the hairs of our heads are numbered. Not a sparrow falls to the ground without the knowledge of God. It is a great comfort in times of trouble to realize that God knows, and that He is interested.

God made this world. It is His world. He is vitally interested in all that happens here. Stand upon a lofty mountain peak. Let your eyes wander over rolling landscapes, across serated ridges, around the dense forests. Let them rest for a time on the changing hues of the sunset sky. Can you deny that in all this glory there is something beyond what the eye can see? All nature speaks of God. If we will but look about us, we will see manifold evidences of His presence and of His interest.

In history can be seen the finger of God, directing its course. Explain the progress of events as we will, there is a factor that defies our reckonings. It is the providence of God.

"God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform,
He plants His footsteps on the sea, And rides upon the storm."