

to which he belonged there, and I knew hardly anybody there in San Francisco  
 I had met this man ~~elsewhere~~<sup>elsewhere</sup>; I thought I would drop in at the church and see  
 him. Well I ~~dropped~~<sup>dropped</sup> in at the church and it so happend he was ~~off~~ away and the  
 man he had secured as minister was away. But that man had secured an assistant,  
 a returned missionary, and this assistant preached that day. And he preached on  
 the Prodigal Son. And he told about the goodness of the father in receiving back  
 the son. And he said that all ~~of~~ anybody needs is to recognize that God is good  
 and simply turn back to God and do good and that is all you need. It was a denial  
 of the fundamental point of Christianity. And this minister whom this business  
 man had secured into the church had secured this man as his assistant. Now whether  
 the layman was competely ~~of~~ fooled as to the character of the man he got as an  
 assistant; whether he was one of these who used pious words without really meaning  
 it, without understanding the Scripture, or whether he was fooled in this missionary  
 whom he got for an assistant  
 he had gotten as his assistant, I don't know. I never saw any of them again. But I  
 was impressed with the end result ~~of it~~<sup>of it</sup> that what those people were being told was  
 simply recognize the fact that God has nothing against you; recognize the fact  
 that you like the Prodigal have only to say that God is good, we will return to  
~~our~~ our love to God, and everyone is good and all they need is to realize the  
 fact that they are children of God. Of course that is the essence of modernism.  
 And it is the sort of thing that we get constantly from those who have turned  
 aside from Scriptural doctrines while trying to keep the Christian ethics and  
 the Christian emphasis.

Actually you will find that in such cases the ~~Christian~~<sup>Christian</sup> ethics soon disappears.  
 Maybe~~s~~ immediately, maybe after a little while the modernist sounds very beautiful  
 as he talks of Christian ethics, but it does not last without the Christian doctrine  
 as its fundamental undergirding. But in this case, we have Amalek coming and  
 attacking them, attacking the feeble ones, ~~attacking~~ the ones who might be lagging  
 a little behind trying to injure them, and God wants us to realize that when we  
 turn to the great and gracious God-- that while he is supreme and He is sovereign there