

my way up. It is quite strenuous work at times, and occasionally it was very difficult climbing up the side. When I got to the top of that mountain I saw, right on the top, a little pile of rock. And, when I saw that little pile of rock I knew somebody had put them there. Then I thought probably he had left further indication of this achievement so I reached underneath the stones and sure enough there was a sardine can. When you see a sardine can on the top of a mountain you know you are not the first to be there. You do not have to presuppose anything, you do not have to assume anything; it is a brute fact that somebody else has been there before you. A human being, a mind, has been there. Now when you look at the world and see the evidences of order in it, the way things work together, the purpose in it, there is meaning in it. You know that a mind has directed it and has planned it; it is no accident that it is absolutely impossible for anyone with experience in life to really believe that this world came into existence through accident. Oh, how blind people can be!

Once I was talking with a young woman who was working as a secretary for DuPont, and she was a very good secretary but she did not know anything about chemistry. However, she was a good enough secretary that they put her to work for a chemist there, and as he began giving her material about various chemical elements which she transcribed very satisfactorily, she had a curiosity to know a little more about it. So she asked him how she could learn more. He told her to read a certain book in the company library about the different chemical elements. It contained information about the history and the discovery of these elements and of their makeup. One can read about a certain chemical element and how the element was discovered and about the wonderful mathematical relationships between the elements, and about the remarkable features about each of them. After the account of each element is told about the man who had discovered it, and about the wonderful mind of the remarkable scientist who did some great experiments and discovered the element, she said this impressed her. After the account of every element the book rhapsodized about the wonderful mind of the scientist who discovered the element, with its remarkable arrangement and relation to other elements, but there was never a word about the far more remarkable mind that created the elements in the first place and arranged their relation to the other elements and all of the necessary factors in such a wonderful way that the human mind could discover it. How blind we are, to praise the human being who discovered the wonderful order and complex arrangement and purpose in the universe and not to think of the far greater mind that planned the universe, that controls the universe, and that directs the universe. The power of God and the wisdom of God, as Paul says, are manifest and clear to anyone who is not absolutely blind. Anyone who will just look cannot help seeing that God is one of the most important facts that anyone can know. It is, I think, to some extent and intentional blindness; we try to put it out of our minds and we get to where we do not even notice it, but He is there. He is