

go, as most of our people did, even fifty ~~xxx~~ years ago, ^{have to perform} ~~to go through~~ the involved ^{and} careful process of trimming a wick, ^{and} of lighting it, ~~and of using~~ a kerosene lamp to provide light only a fraction as good as the light we have today. One touch of a button and our rooms are filled with light. In every aspect of our lives science reigns.

There have been some great minds among scientists, but the advance is not primarily due to any one great mind or any group of great minds. The essential ~~matter~~ about science is the attitude of looking for evidence, examining the evidence, ~~inquiring~~ testing it to be sure what evidence is valid, and then constructing models upon it. ^{How difficult seems from} ~~Does all of this have an~~ ^{trying to gain knowledge through revelation!} ~~application to the cm^o life?~~

Let us think of the situation of a human being. As a small child he has no knowledge at all. He learns that if he cries someone will relieve him of the particular situation that is causing him discomfort, or will bring him the food that he craves, so he develops a mechanism to get an answer to his ~~xx~~ needs. As he grows older he learns the meaning of words from hearing others use them. He hears about ~~xxx~~ phenomena in life and his impulse for many years is simply to take whatever his parents or other people tell him as ~~xxx~~ certainty. As he grows older he finds that many of the things he has been told are not ~~xx~~ true. He ~~gxxx~~ goes to school and learns that the statement "the sun rises" or "the sun sets" is merely a ~~gx~~ figurative expression, that actually the earth turns, ^{even though} ~~and~~ it looks as if ~~appears that~~ the sun rises or sets. He learns that many of the things that his parents have told him do not correspond to reality. He learns ~~to~~ some of the basic concepts of science. He perhaps has some experience in performing simple experiments and learning ^{2nd 3 0 3} how often his experiment seems to go ~~xxx~~ wrong and he must check and double-check ~~doublecheck~~ his method to be sure that he is getting it exactly right, ~~and not being misled by the xx~~ ~~entrance of extraneous~~