

and quickened by the divine life which the Lord Jesus has brought into the world, and knowing that the people of Islam lack what we have to give, and are perishing because of that lack, we owe it to them and to our Lord to supplant at any cost the faith of Islam by the religion of Jesus.

For all who would be loyal to the Lord Jesus, Mohammedanism is a force to be reckoned with, as either hindering or helping in the establishing of His kingdom. Whatever relates to its movements, its changes, its trend, should be to them a matter of deep concern.

Islam in India has long been marked by religious exclusiveness and political stagnancy, and its followers have lagged far behind in the developing civilization of the nations and in the things that make a people great and good.

But now it has begun to realize its want of harmony with the age we live in, and it is unable to resist the many varied and far-reaching influences, due to scientific progress and mental activity in the various departments of thought and life, that have within the last quarter of a century increased in force among Western nations, and that are now penetrating the masses of Eastern humanity, producing new movements, awakening new aspirations and ideals, and stirring up new energies and powers destined to change the character of nations, and the face of the world.

During the last half century and more, Islam in India has been free, under the impartial rule of Britain, to develop whatever of good there may be in it, but no vital force for internal regeneration has been manifested. Within the last decade, however, it has awakened to a very marked activity, and to the originating of movements whose results, for weal or woe, only the future can disclose. While it has been responding to the recent