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PREFACE.

THE ready interest in and response to the little volume, "Introducing Men to Christ," far exceeded the highest hopes of any one. So far as can be ascertained, more than fifteen thousand students have followed its outline of studies; and it is believed that the faith of some has been strengthened and that many have been encouraged to undertake personal work.

There has come a rather widespread demand for some volume written along the same general lines as the former volume, but more thorough and comprehensive. This, it has been thought, could be used with more mature workers and would not in any sense take the place of "Introducing Men to Christ," which it is hoped will still find large use with underclassmen.

We have taken the liberty to follow parts of the general outline of the former volume and in one case to incorporate one chapter almost complete. This volume, however, is a completely new statement, made much more thorough and treated in greater fullness.

The attempt has been to show the normality of Christian experience; to indicate clearly how that experience grows and how it may become real in any life. There is a definite attempt also to set forth the superior claims of Christianity as over against the non-Christian religions and also those modern substitutes for Christianity which are so numerous at the present hour. The whole has been carefully tested by experience with thousands of men in religious work during recent years. It is hoped, therefore, that this may prove a laboratory book on Christian experience.

We are indebted to entirely too many friends and books to attempt to enumerate all. Whenever possible, we have tried to give credit for all quotations. We can only hope that this little volume will render as great a service as its forerunner has already seemed to do.

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