

Creator we have Infinite Space; everything as the gift, power and function of the "gods," which are the powers of Nature in Lucretius, and the "Elohim" in the first verse of Genesis, shamefully mistranslated "Göd."

2. Instead of the supremacy of Faith as the criterion over everything, we learn that the "habit of believing is the chief impediment to Knowledge." Then comes the terrible stroke, "Coelos non esse!" "Heaven, the Heavens are not!" The most terrible words ever spoken!

3. All of the struggles and object of every life had been to get to HEAVEN. Christ had died, and the Church had been built up, to enable mankind to get there as the final end, hope, reward, happiness and glory of all existence! What could be more terrible than for this Bruno, as the voice of Science, to declare, "COELOS NON ESSE." "There are no Heavens," no firmaments, ceilings, celestial spheres or abodes at all. All of your God, Heaven, religion and eternal hopes are childish dreams existing in an illusion of your eyes. No wonder that the man who first so declared was burnt as "a monster!" Christianity did it then, and, logically, must and would do the same today had it the power.

4. People all believed that the Earth had been created by God and that it would surely have an end; that the heavenly bodies, sun and stars, were made for it and its Saints; and that Christ died for their redemption only. (See White, above quoted. Vol. 1, pp. 116-117, etc.) What shall be done with this man who said, "It is against sense and reason to say that there is a limit to the world; the world always was and will be, and if there is any Holy Ghost it is the 'World-Soul,' for God and Nature agree in all—are one!" "Burn him," said Christianity then, and now, as far as it can—for it must!

5. Christ descended from Adam and Eve and died to save all men as his brothers, likewise so descended, said Christianity. "No," said Bruno; "the Jews may have been descended from their Adam, but all of the other peoples were not. And there are countless other suns and worlds in space which probably have people on their planets perfectly ignorant of any Christian theology whatever! All theologians, then and now, could only logically say, "Burning is too good for him!"

6. Then, if there was anything to and in which the people trusted "their all," it was their personal Creator, caring for and governing each and all by special providence, even "to the hairs of every head." Then there was his Christ and his Church and the holy, infallible Scriptures! And this Bruno comes

and says, "They are all nothing against the facts of the world!" Should such a "monster" live? All logical, orthodox Christianity, then and now, shouts, "No! Out of the world with him! Let FIRE be our LOVE to him! Hell is too good for him!"

We might, but it is not necessary to go farther, to show that the daily revolution of the earth on its axis and its annual circuit around the sun revealed substantially a new Heaven and a new Earth—a reversed environment; consequently there must be a complete reversal of human affairs and a consequent NEW ERA of Science and of Man, an era of adaptation to the reversed world, with a new Life and a new Hope.

NOTE THE DIFFERENCE: Prior to A. D. 1600, the Home of the Human Race, of MAN, had been the Earth, ever a Stationary Dwelling House! Its surface was "the Living Floor of active life AND probation. The life of each individual was endless. At death, if not approved, the soul went into the first basement of the purgatory hells for purification by suffering. If not purified, to hell he went in the cellar, as Dante and Milton pictures. The Redeemed passed to coelestial mansions, in the third story above "the firmament," to live in glory and happiness forever. There the Sun and Stars would shed light to the said inhabitants which God had created on the earth; and there the Father and Son and Holy Ghost "lived to govern the human world below, and ever increase the myriads of Saints and Angels, or victims, to augment their glory!"

When Bruno brought forward the new Astronomy, "the laudable sense and meaning of Nicholas Copernicus," and applied it to this old three-story Dwelling House of man—this Cosmogony of Christianity—then all of its dogmas, creeds, doctrines, revelations, disciplines, motives, rewards and hopes, were fated to disappear like "the baseless fabric of a dream," for such it was only necessary to think, to see at once that they were! "Coelum non fuit"—Heaven never was; never will be! Would then we were never born! Such was the agonized cry that went up out of the human Heart—such will be its cry until it learns to live in the "New Heaven and Earth," the New Environment.

The Science of today is the reverse of the old, in astronomy, cosmology, physics, chemistry biology and sociology, or the history and evolution of mankind. As the result of all these the individual who learns actual facts has to adapt himself to the environment of this new world by a corresponding reversal of the OBJECT and therefore of the MODE as well as the aspiration of his life and of its ultimate hope.

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