## The (10xegom Sitatesman



|  | (Copyrighted by the San Jose Mercury) <br> Ideals are not realities, dreams fade away and imaginings do not stand the test of experience. Yet these unreal things are sometimes the whole of a man's religion. Religion is often not so much what we have lived, what we haver realized, as what we hope Ior, what we anticipate, what we dream about. Indeed, the kingdom of heaven has not generally meant to the world an actual, heavenly condition developed in the hearts of men, which is the kingdom of heaven preached by Jesus, but a beautiful place, no one pretends to know where, far removed from the earth, the abode of the blasse life. <br> Concerning this far-away, local heaven men have imagined many things. They have sung of its streets of pure gold, its walls of jasper and its gates of pearl, They have fountains and palaces. They have not only dreamed of these things, but they have found pleasure in anticipating that all this beauty' is to be theirs when they are through with sins, struggles and disappointments of the earth life. <br> Men have not stopped with these imaginary pictures of their future heaven, but they have put God into it in the form of s man, te fule it as a real, physical king. They have surrounded him with hosts of winged angels, likewise creatures of the imagination and have pictured these angels and the saints and redeemed as having nothing to do but to wander aimlessly about among the beauties of this heaven and sing praises to its King. praises to its King. <br> It seems almost too bad to attempt, to shatter all these awake the world from these religious dreams; but unless the world can be made to know that all of this is but the imaginary creation of men's minds and nothing that is real, how can men be induced to strive for the real heaven that is to be developed in their own hearts and lives? Until they can be made to know that religion is not a hope, or a dream, or a future promise or even a faith or trust in the Allfather or in Christ, but a life, a living, present, active, blessed reality how can they be induced to try to realize this real re- ligion in their lives? <br> Of course there is nothing in any of the gospels to furish a foundation for these dreams. Jesus preached of no loca heaven, out or the kingdom that is to come within us. He preached, He exempllfed a religion of life, of righteous- hess, spiritual power, love and service: not something that is to show itself and get its rewards in a more or less distant shadowy future. Better awaken men to this truth here n to have them awaken in the great beyond and find that their heaven is all a dream; that the only heaven we shall ever find is in ourselves; a heaven we need not go anywhere to enter, since when we reach it we take it with with us wherever we go. <br> Many people worship a Christ quite as unreal as their heaven, as the superman god and the winged angels which their imagination has put into it. They think of Him merevary and whose body was resurrected and carried to the far away heaven where He has since remained sitting upon a |
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