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*To the
dear memory of
My Mother*

" Our modern world looks as if it were getting ready for a new conception of Christ. There is gathering from all points of the compass of serious religious thought a volume of insight and appreciation of Him that must finally overwhelm the public mind with the sense of His absoluteness for humanity. . . . Everywhere the vision is opening to the reality of His presence in the world. The old Christ conception is becoming new in the current thoughts, insights and appreciations of the time. There is a gathering discernment towards this great centre. . . . The worth of the individual, the reality of social union, the sanctity of home, the infinite meaning of love, the eternal validity of our ideas of righteousness, freedom, and God, all the ultimate realities of our human world, are the creation of Christ."

GEORGE A. GORDON, "*The Christ of To-day*," pp. 30, 31.

PREFACE

THESE sermons are offered to the public not as representing a new theology or a new interpretation of the Gospel of Christ. They reveal the character of the regular preaching in a quiet city church of the Congregational order as it is heard from Sabbath to Sabbath as presented by one in whom it is the expression of a settled faith in Jesus Christ tested by some experience and applied to the needs of to-day, and as it finds welcome reception by a loving, faithful, God-fearing congregation.

Its newness lies in the fact, not only that we are living in an age of new thought, but that growing experience is ever leading Christians to new views of God and His love which are invariably accompanied by something of newness in the understanding of God's Word. In this way we are getting our new conception of Christ.

As the sermons have not been unattended with evidence of blessing to some who heard them, it is my earnest hope that there may be blessing in them also for some who may read.

As I believe that the preaching of the Gospel is God's appointed way of bringing in His kingdom and of saving the world, I have abiding confidence and grateful joy in my calling. I am glad to try to show, so far at least, what is the Gospel that to-day is preached in our churches and to cherish the hope that it may be a message from God to some who would like to know it but never go to hear it.

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New York, Sept. 1st, 1908.*

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