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*"The kingdom of the world is become the kingdom of
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THE eight lectures which follow were delivered at the Church of Our Father, Pawtucket, R.I., during the winter of 1893-4. Encouraged by the kind reception then accorded them, the writer ventures to submit them now to a larger circle of readers.

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THE CHURCH AND THE LIFE OF MEN.

THE Christian Church, using the term in its broader sense, is a vast institution consisting of individuals bound together more or less closely by a common organization, and standing for certain truths which it seeks to impress upon the minds and hearts of men for their own individual good and for the good of the race. This Church has had a strange, interesting and eventful history. It has made many mistakes, committed many sins, taught many errors. It has labored for magnificent ideals, inspired men to noble life and heroism, kept the light of God's truth shining in the earth. Like every purposeful institution it has always been and will always be on trial as to its faithfulness and as to its efficiency. Whoever and whatever aspires to lead humanity must always accept and answer the challenge of humanity to demonstrate its right to lead. That the challenge is now being pressed in such wise as to make many good people tremble for the future of the Church, and to tempt them to ill-judged means for its defence.