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DEDICATION

To that noble body of students, who are ever searching for the Truth beneath the symbol, who have devoted the greater portion of their lives to the Quest for the Hidden Wisdom, the true Knights of the Grail, this work is lovingly dedicated, with the hope that its perusal may aid them in the realization of their Quest.

THE AUTHOR.



PREFACE

The Shepherd of Men is the Egyptian account of the Creation. We might in a certain sense term it the Egyptian Genesis. At the same time it must be borne in mind that it deals with the Genesis of the Gods as well as with that of the Universe. It is in fact the Kosmogony, Theogony, and the Anthropology of the Egyptian Secret Brotherhood. Any one reading the Service Brotherhood. mon must at all times bear this in mind. We have here a very connected and very thorough account of the descent of the Spirit into Matter, as well as the descent of the Anthropos into Nature and the resultant engendering of individual human existence. The Sermon presents to us the clearest, and the most accurate, as well as the most thorough of all the extant accounts of the Genesis of life. It is at once scientific, philosophical and deeply religious. It is at the same time mystical and also very practical. It is the Theogony, Kosmogony and Anthropology of the Hidden Wisdom. This being the case, none but an Epopt could possibly furnish the Esoteric Key of the Sermon to the public. In times past, this Esoteric Key has been withheld from the public; but there has been so much erroneous teaching on the subjects treated in the Sermon that we have come to the conclusion that the only way in which this misinformation can be counteracted is to give the truth to the public. For this reason, I and my brother Epoptae have come to the conclusion that the time has come in which the Shepherd of Men must be unsealed. Inasmuch as the Mystery of God-the-Mind has been introduced into the Sermon, and in fact, plays the major role,