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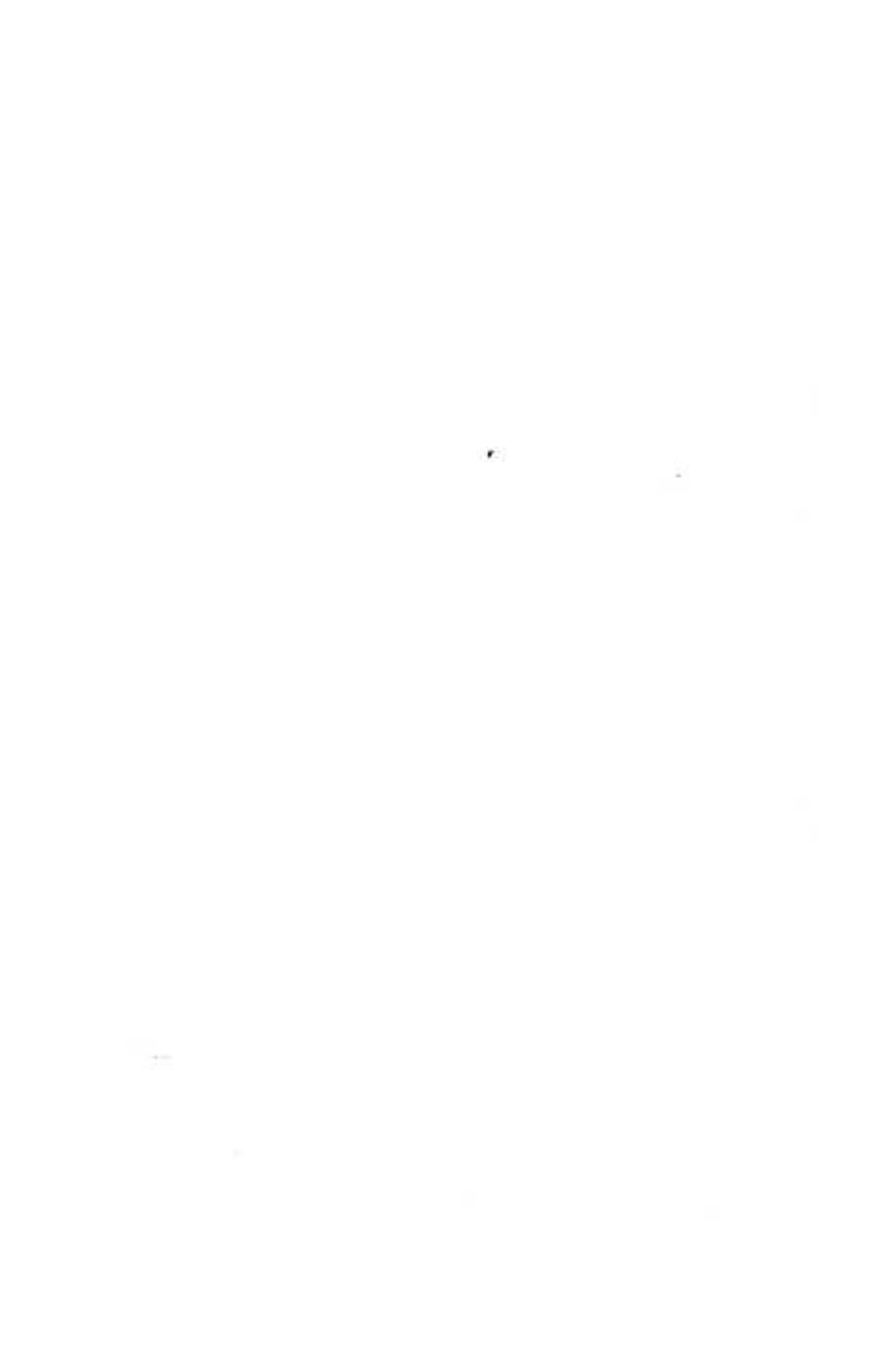
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TO THE MISSIONARIES  
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## Preface

THE lectures composing this volume were suggested by the studies and observation of an extended tour in Asia, in the years 1896 and 1897. They are printed substantially as they were delivered to the faculty and students of Princeton Theological Seminary in February, 1898. Their object was to sketch in broad outline the spirit of the Eastern peoples, the present making of history in Asia and the part therein of Christian Missions. They are at once the fruit and the ground of the conviction, vindicated by the obvious facts of history and of life, that Christ is the present Lord and King of all life and history and their certain goal.