

all things. He spoke learnedly of the atom, the neutron and the photron, etc. etc., and was wandering in the universe, entirely detached from earth, when the writer called him back in substantially these words. "As I see it the gist of this lesson is that whatever seed is planted is going to grow. We can nurse improper thoughts in our minds, can indulge in improper reveries, can sin in many forms, and think, like the Spartans of old, that it is all right because it is not going to be found out."

Christ said, however, "There is nothing hid, which shall not be manifested; neither was anything kept secret, but that it should come abroad. If any man have ears to hear, let him hear, but take heed what you hear."

In other words he used this simple parable to tell that when the evil seeds are planted they start growing. They do not require special attention. We may think that we have forgotten them, but they come to fruition in due time. The farmer slept and the farmer awoke, but all the time the seed grew and with plants of the vegetable kingdom the earth first bringeth forth the blade, then the ear, and after that the full corn in the ear. And then comes the harvest. That is the serious and unavoidable part of it and the world today is harvesting a vast crop, which came from the seeds of what has been sown, particularly in the last forty years.

During Christ's brief ministry on earth, when he was doing his best to implant simple truths, he was constantly being asked for further statements, and while I do not recall the verse I remember how he once asked them: "If ye cannot understand the simple truths that I have preached unto you, how can you understand the greater and more complex facts of the kingdom?"