

theory of the atonement in its baldest and most rigid form that is here presented. It is declared that the atonement offered by Christ was a genuine substitution, a veritable ransom, the actual infliction on the part of God the Father of the punishment due and necessary for the sins of man upon the innocent Christ. It is the doctrine of Anselm's *Cur Deus Homo* without modification. This doctrine is pronounced the burden of the New Testament, the heart of the Gospel, the keystone of the Christian system. Yet Dr. Remensnyder is well aware that the great majority of Christian teachers have departed from this view, and that it is losing ground every day. Both he and Dr. Warfield are conscious that they are arguing a lost cause, and complain that they who "hold the public ear have definitely broken with the doctrine of a substitutive atonement." A generation is growing up which never heard the sacrificial explanation of the death of Christ, and many young people in the churches would be shocked by the declaration that Jesus was punished that we might escape punishment, and yet they are not found lacking in Christian faith and piety. Dr. Remensnyder writes with clearness and force, and his sincerity and earnestness of conviction entitle him to all honor; yet his endeavor to bring back the Anselmic theory of the atonement into modern thought is a useless striving. The modern man cannot retreat from his conviction, as quoted by Dr. Remensnyder from an editorial in THE INDEPENDENT, that "Christianity does not require us to look on the death of Christ as propitiating the Father, who needs nobody to excite or encourage His love. No expiatory sacrifice is needed, for God is abundantly able to forgive, out of His own store of love."

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