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Second, an earthly paradise from which death, suffering, and evil were absent was scientifically inconceivable, given that the tendency toward physical disintegration is a condition of existence. Teilhard found in Bergson a theoretical basis for his personal feeling of intimacy with nature and the material world. We must not stop this deifying Movement.

On Teilhard de Chardin

In 1905, he journeyed to Cairo on a geological expedition. However, there is an internal aspect of energy which links center to center in a way that draws the elements onward toward ever greater complexity and consciousness. For the vast majority of us, the material world provides the raw material for scientific research, not mystical illumination.

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Teilhard was convinced that people must study the phenomenon of love as the most sacred spiritual energy resource in the same way that they study all other phenomena in the world. As Teilhard envisions the future, the greatest need is for a new type of seeker, or rather the rebirth of the original type once known to the world before the divorce of science from religion. Reading him now, I find it hard to grasp how prescient his work was and what an unusual being he was able to think and care for the unknown future as he did.

The Priest and the Biologist

His devout mother shared his interest in mysticism, whereas his father encouraged the collection of fossils, stones, and other specimens, laying the foundations for his son's future scientific career.

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