

in this section shows that St Thomas was more platonic than is often imagined.

The next five essays are 'Incarnation and Incarnations', a study of Hindu conceptions of 'incarnation'; 'The Atonement', a fairly full and topically documented account of St Thomas; 'The Word of God and Natural Law', a concrete illustration of 'grace perfecting nature'; 'The Concept of Justice in St Thomas', again illustrating from another point of view the relations of nature and supernature; 'Western and Eastern Theology of Nature and Grace', a commendation of Western developments to our Eastern Orthodox brethren.

The last three essays deal with the 'ecumenical' question: 'The Meaning of the Church Unity Octave', 'Membership of the Church', and 'The Background to Papal Infallibility'. On these subjects Father White is 'eirenic' in the best sense, able to enter into others' points of view with understanding and sympathy, without disguising differences or slurring over obstacles.

A true piety runs through the whole book, that kind of piety which gives the service of the mind to God without chilling the heart. Here and there one might question an assertion or two, for instance, Father White's account of Apollinaris and of St Anselm; but it is characteristic of the spirit of the book that everywhere Father White succeeds in enlisting the desire to agree with him. A book to recommend to libraries and to give as a most acceptable present, perhaps especially to priests.

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