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FOREWORD

Has Christianity any message to a world at war? Does true religion ever sanction war? Is there scriptural basis either for pacifism or militarism? Does the world-war mean the collapse of the church and the ultimate failure of the Christian faith? What will be the final issue of the war—a relapse into barbarism or the coming of a new and higher social order?

These questions have sorely perplexed the Christian world for the past four years. They are answered in the following lectures with a rare insight and sanity in interpreting the Scriptures and with fearlessness in facing facts. This discussion gives scant comfort either to the professional militarist or to the incurable pacifist. It affords a rational and religious basis for true patriotism, world internationalism, and triumphant righteousness.

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FOREWORD

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GEORGE R. GROSE,
President DePauw University.
I have felt with my native land, I am one with my kind,
I embrace the purpose of God, and the doom assigned.

—Tennyson.