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To

S. SCHECHTER,

*Reader in Rabbinic in the University of Cambridge.*

DEAR SCHECHTER,

I can scarcely hope that you can take more than a friendly interest in the following essays: your concern is with the inner strivings of the spirit; mine, on the present occasion, with the outward forms or institutions of social life. Yet you yourself will be the first to confess, I fancy, that the one has an influence not altogether indirect upon the other; so these studies, in that way, may perhaps have an indirect interest for you.

Still I like the good old custom of dedication and dedicatory epistles, and should be loth to leave you out of the circle of my friends to whose address I have, at different times, directed letters prefixed to my books. For the present this seems to be the least inappropriate occasion on which I can publicly express my esteem and admiration for your fine qualities of heart and head. I am delighted that you have found in my old University a position from which you can bring your genial influence to bear on the young men of Jewish race who are best qualified to form—who knows?—a New School of the Prophets.

I remain, dear SCHECHTER,

Yours very sincerely,

JOSEPH JACOBS.