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LET GOD BE TRUE . . .

. . . **and every man a liar?** It seems that nothing is taken at face value these days. It is fashionable, necessary even, to regard commercial adverts, political motives, scientific warnings, news reports, and all else, with a large degree of scepticism. Everything is taken culinary fashion, with a pinch of salt, or more likely with a large dose, betraying a suspicion that something unwholesome, or even poisonous, is being administered, and a curative measure is necessary.

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AND THE SKIES ARE NOT CLOUDY ALL DAY

If there is one good thing to be said for growing old, it is that one learns to be satisfied with less. The combination of advancing years and a potpourri of bitter experiences and disappointments produces a semblance of contentment with one's lot in life. Alas, there coincides with this state of mind a natural decrease in energy, and it's sometimes not clear which is cause and which is effect. It becomes more troublesome to get simple things done or to roll out of bed in the morning.

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DYING FOR THE DEAD

Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead? (1 Corinthians 15: 29, KJV)

There is a profound truth concealed in these words of the Apostle Paul. Of the many interpretations of this verse, the one which seems to favour his meaning is that of the sin offering of the Church.

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In the Rear-View Mirror – 1945

‘Sir James Chadwick, chief British scientist in the atomic bomb project, said today there was a possibility that within about ten years atomic energy could be used for industrial purposes. The Noble Prize winner in physics in 1935 also declared that the atomic bomb was not strictly a British-American secret, asserting that any nation could learn the secret in about five years of experimentation, assuming it had access to the necessary raw materials. “I think this is a very serious point”, he said. Sir James was chief scientific advisor to the British members of the American-British-Canadian policy committee that developed the bomb that wrecked Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan.’ — *The New York Times*, Monday, August 13, 1945

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Founder wants to reinstate traditional British social and moral values

http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk_politics/8066264.stm



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