

# CONTENTS



*Preface* vii

What follows is a revised version of the three lectures given under the auspices of Princeton University Press in the program of the invitation to the audience that I am especially grateful to the lively and to the spirit that prevails there. In preparing these lectures for publication I am conscious that they are at best a summary of my views and do not in any way deal with all the difficulties that will occur to the attentive reader. Some of these difficulties I have addressed in *The End of the World* and in a fourth chapter here added to the lectures, others must await some later attempt to tackle them or else accompany me to the grave.

Earlier drafts were read by Bob Grant, Alice Ginsburg, and two anonymous readers for Princeton University Press, and from the remarks of all four I have benefited enormously.

Scranton, August 2016

Chapter 1. Human Kind 1

Chapter 2. Human Relations 50

Chapter 3. The Moral Life 79

Chapter 4. Sacred Obligations 113

*Index of Names* 145

*Index of Subjects* 149