

train system. We would soon learn that not all trains run every day. Some run week days; some run Sundays only; some are omitted on certain days of the year so as to not run on particular holidays; some do not run on the day before certain of these holidays; others do not run on the day after. Some run in summer, some only in winter. There are many considerations that enter in, but it is all clearly explained in a good timetable.

There is much similarity between the situation of a man as he faces life, and our hypothetical situation in the railroad station. Each of us must make decisions which affect our eternal destiny. We have no way of knowing what that destiny is unless God, the Creator and Sustainer of the Universe, gives us a revelation to explain it to us. Christians believe that the Bible is such a revelation. There is nothing unnatural or unreasonable about this claim, for it is exactly parallel to our everyday experience in learning about a distant continent or in examining a railroad timetable.

Right here we strike a difficulty. Some people say that they cannot believe that God could dictate a book. Yet there is nothing absurd about dictation. Every executive dictates to a stenographer.