

Two Ways

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Phenomenology, a cruel creed,
Preaches its faith in omnipresent ways:
“One world alone” is all the creed we need,
Empiricism controls all our ways.
And so we build our barns and get and store,
Laughing at those who sing noumenal songs,
Ignoring those who say, “No, there is more,”
Scorning an ethic built on “Right” and “Wrong.”
In stark contrast, the Galilean Jew,
Who used his stories to affirm his creed,
Out-Kanting Kant on what we ought to do,
Sounded a warning every person needs:
“Do not forget, you fool, all bills come due,
This night your soul will be required of you.”*

*Luke 12:20