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## RULES OF A CHRISTIAN LIFE.

*To be observed by such as desire to secure to themselves a happy eternity.*

SETTLE in thy soul a firm resolution, on no account whatever to consent to mortal sin. This resolution is the very foundation of a virtuous life: whosoever is not arrived thus far, has not as yet begun to serve God. Without this resolution, it is in vain for any one to flatter himself with the hopes of living holily, or dying happily.

2. In order to enable thyself to keep this resolution, be diligent in flying all dangerous occasions, such as bad company, lewd or profane books, immodest plays, &c. for *he that loves the danger, shall perish in it.* Eccl. iii. 27.

3. Watch every motion of thy heart, and resist the first impressions of evil; keep a strict guard upon thy senses and imagination, that the enemy may not surprise thy soul by these avenues.