

your cruel soul enemies, saying, "Lord, have respect unto the covenant."

Are you concerned about your soul-poverty and indigence, not only oppressed with enemies without and within, but oppressed with wants and necessities, being absolutely poor and needy, and destitute of all good? O here is a covenant of soul-supplying grace, and of all needful provision, saying, "When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground." O, then, plead as the psalmist does in the verse following the text: "O, let not the oppressed return ashamed, let the poor and needy praise Thy name." "Have respect to the covenant."

In a word, let your case be the worst case out of hell; this covenant contains all salvation as a covenant of grace, of all sorts of grace for all sorts of sinners, and of all sorts of cures for all sorts of cases; and if you can get yourself wrapped within the bond of this covenant by