

ed by him and his inspired Apostles, concerning their conduct. They denied themselves, they took up the Cross daily, they devoted themselves to the service and will of God. They were living examples to Believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in faith, in purity. This caught the eye of every beholder—this carried conviction to every bosom; and a religion which exhibited such amiable effects in the lives of its Ministers, was irresistible in its progress.

This circumstance, so conducive to the success of Christianity at its first dawn, is no less necessary now for propagating the Gospel—for maintaining its credit, and supporting its influence. Perhaps I might say, it is more necessary; for the extraordinary interpositions of heaven being withdrawn, when Christianity is received and established; so much the more attention to the ordinary means for Propagation of the Gospel, is required. But be this as it will; it is unquestionably true, that the same diligence and exertion—the same deadness to the world and its seducing blandishments—the same bright example of holiness and expanded benevolence in the Clergy, are inculcated by the Gospel now, as well as formerly, and are equally necessary to its success.

If this holds good of the Clergy every where, as it certainly does, You may easily conceive of
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