

hold in the community; In the lessons of your Divine Master, you may find, if not a remedy for the evil, yet at least a motive for bearing it with tranquillity. Charity, meekness, long suffering, forgiveness of injuries, should distinguish, in a particular manner, the Ministers of the Gospel of Peace. That high, resentful spirit, upon which the children of this world sometimes value themselves, leave to the children of this world,—it is their torment; and their disgrace. Imitate rather the conduct of those true Servants of God, “of whom the world was “not worthy.”—By passing over with magnanimous indifference, the malignant efforts of the enemies of your Profession; by neglecting petty insults; by forgiving real injuries; you will secure the internal peace of your own minds; you will, in many cases, obtain the respect of your adversaries; and in most, disarm them of their enmity: and what is still more, you will, by the efficacy of your example, greatly strengthen the lessons of Christian Charity which You teach; and obtain your reward, if not in the approbation of men, yet certainly in the approbation of God.

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