

Honors were showered upon him by European Universities and Academies, who esteemed it an honor to rank him among their Fellows or Graduates.

Newton wrote many theological tracts, and had definitely strong beliefs not only in doctrine, but he was so filled with the spirit of Truth that he was often consulted by his friends about their spiritual state. He cherished the great principles of religious toleration, and preserved a broad understanding on all matters of personal faith. Immorality and impiety were to him abhorrent. When Dr. Halley ventured to say anything disrespectful of religion he invariably cut him short with the remark, —“ I have studied these things, you have not.”

The mighty spirit of this truly great man passed away in the eighty-fifth year of his life. The measure of his life was full, and his body resigned to heaven its occupant. His remains lay in the Jerusalem Chamber and were buried in Westminster Abbey.

The Lord High Chancellor with earls and dukes followed him to the tomb. The proudest men in England, the learned and lofty were there, and noblemen doffed their coronets before this prince of the intellectuals. A splendid monument marks his resting place. A figure of Astronomy as Queen of the Sciences sits on a Globe weeping with a sceptre in her hand, and a star surmounts the summit of a pyramid. And on the monument is inscribed an epitaph in the Latin language, which rendered into English reads :