

to our religious improvement, happiness and usefulness. "We are not our own:" we are the people of God: we are citizens of heaven. Let us, then, more than ever place our "affections on things above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God." Having "our conversation in heaven;" and "walking in the light as Christ is in the light," we shall "have fellowship one with another," and our path "shine more and more unto the perfect day."

You will not, dear brethren, neglect the institutions of divine worship, both public and private. Closet devotion and domestic worship should precede and conclude the labors of each day. The sacred Scriptures should be daily, devoutly and studiously read. The Sabbath,—the holy of the Lord, should be observed and honored, as a season of rest, of fervent devotion, and of religious improvement. The Sanctuary of the Most High should be regularly attended as the habitation of his house, the place where his honor dwelleth, and his choicest blessings are liberally bestowed. To stimulate to these duties then are powerful motives. Without the blessing of God nothing is wise, nothing strong, nothing safe, nothing good. He alone can conduct us through the labyrinths of life. Only his grace can support and console us in circumstances of distress, bereavement, and sorrow. Let us then approach Him in the means he has appointed, through His Son and by His Holy Spirit, and he will "do in us and for us exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think."

While anxious and diligent to secure your own salvation, you will not, we trust, be unmindful of "the wealth of others." The Sabbath School opens a door of access to the rising generation. The Bible Society affords you an opportunity of aiding in the circulation of the Word of Life. The Tract Society supplies you with means of usefulness to many. The Missionary Society provides a medium through which you may

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