

could boast in his nation and ancestry, from a religious point of view, he was that man. But he counted these privileges of little worth; counted them all but dross compared with the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord.

And vain indeed is the boast of mere earthly nationality. Let us see to it while we seek to be bound together by the ties of earth, we are also bound together by the higher, stronger ties of a heavenly relation, by a common faith in Jesus Christ, by a common hope of dwelling throughout eternity in our Father's house above. And while walking here as the citizens of a land in which we boast, let us see to it that at all times, whether at home or abroad, our conversation be as becometh the Gospel of Christ.

I am far from my hame, and I'm weary oftenwhiles,  
For the long'd for hame bringing my Father's welcome smiles;  
And I'll ne'er be fu' content until my een do see  
The gowden gates of heaven and my ain countree.