

to sustain our weakness, in time to come, against the temptations which surround, and will, infallibly, assail us. For the faithful disciple of the Saviour, this atonement and support are abundantly provided. Let us come unto GOD, through him, and every stain shall be wiped away, with which sin hath polluted our souls. To all, who earnestly solicit it, divine assistance shall be given. To the weak, who are conscious of their weakness yet desirous of persevering in virtue, wisdom and strength shall be imparted from on high. By hypocrisy all our former offences shall be dyed in indelible crimson. Instead of securing an interest in the merits of our Lord, or winning the spirit of truth to take up his abode in our hearts; by a semblance of piety, while we are strangers to its power, and benign influence, on our temper and conduct, we shall quench the spirit of GOD, crucify our Redeemer afresh, and put Him to open shame.