justice. But I maintain still more strongly the unequalled majesty and strength and depth of the Psalms. They embody, and in the form of worship, views of God in His justice and holiness, in His displeasure with sin and delight in righteousness, which are seldom found in hymns either ancient or modern. They differ from the best of these, or all but the best, not so much in degree of excellence as in kind. seem to me to constitute a different and a higher order of composition. I have no hesitation, therefore, in saying that if ever they are displaced in family and in public worship by any merely human compositions, however excellent, it must be to the injury or loss of some of the best elements in the piety of our Presbyterian people.

In conclusion, and coming to interests more directly personal, let us see to it, men and brethren, that we are ourselves the possessors of that life of whose heaven-