

and if it may please God, I might be an instrument in his hands, of leading my countrymen, who are blinded, deceived and abused, to follow the priests no longer; to read the Bible for themselves, and pray to God alone, that in the end, they may come to everlasting life.

I have brought out this book because it has long been impressed upon my heart as a duty which I owe to you and to the world, to proclaim the wonders of redeeming grace and the love of God which I feel in my soul.

Oh that God would arise for the deliverance of my countrymen from the oppressions of Popery, and bring them into the light and liberty of his dear children. "Yes, I do indeed, sometimes feel to say with St. Paul, I could wish myself afflicted by the permission of God, even to be accounted accursed, for my bretheren, my kinsmen, according to the flesh." Perhaps I shall yet die in this cause a martyr for the truth. My enemies who say I have forsaken the true church, have more than once sought to do me bodily injury, and threatened to kill me; but if I die, I will die praying with my Saviour, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do."

Dear reader, suffer a word of exhortation. Cast away your Beads, cast away your Scapular; bow down no more to images, but go into your chamber, "and pray to your Father who seeth in secret, and He will hear you pray, and reward you openly." Oh bear with me while I inquire, what would you say to Francois Pepin at the Bar of God, if the Judge should place you at the left hand, and say, "I am a jealous God," and will not give my honor to another;