

beast, which makes war with the Lamb, and with the saints.

Our youth may therefore thank God for his mercy, that, by his grace they have learned to read the Bible for themselves, that their minds have been educated; that they have been taught to think for themselves, to believe in the testimony of their own senses, and to rely upon the conclusions of their own reason; and that they have had secured to them the liberty of choosing their own religious opinions and worship, while they do not disturb others' liberty and rights. By being so educated as to worship God spiritually and truly, and to avoid marking ourselves by the practice of any empty forms and superstitious observances, we may escape from such judgments, as an angel is represented in Revelation, as uttering with a loud voice, "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive the mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without