

That beloved and highly esteemed individual, whose lamented though precious death, has suggested these thoughts was herself a striking example of the truth of most of the preceding observations.

Some fourteen or eighteen years ago it pleased God to bring her to the knowledge of the truth. What particular means may, in the first instance, have been employed for this end, I am not aware. We know, however, that her religious feelings were for some years cultivated and matured by the preaching which she then attended in the principal parochial church in this town. Having subsequently united with this church, on a sincere conviction of duty, her religious life became to us an object of closer attention. In offering a few remarks on a character which, we cannot but feel, was more than commonly excellent, I trust that this congregation will acquit me of any undue desire of lauding human nature or of misrepresenting or concealing its infirmities, I can confidently appeal to many here that such has never been my practice. We speak of our departed sister in no other light than one who approaching Christ as a sinner, guilty and condemned, received mercy and forgiveness through his name; and who from the same source, deriving that strength which enabled her afterwards, to live so exemplary a life, rendered thus to her Saviour all the praise.

The first characteristic which I would notice in these brief remarks is *the attachment of the subject of this sketch to those distinguishing and prominent doctrines of the Gospel, which on account of their essential importance in the system of Redemption have been denominated Evangelical.* Our departed friend firmly believed in the corruption, the total depravity of the human heart by nature, as respects any relish for holiness, or any spirit of sincere obedience to God—and in the renovation of this nature by the Holy Spirit, through faith in the atonement of Christ. These truths she regarded as being of the essence of the Gospel; as the root of that divine change, that opposition to