

As things are, ye cannot feel towards your ministers as if ye did your duty: nor they to you as if they had their just dues. You owe them, pay them as well as ye can, and as soon as ye can; and let them know you mean to confess to them: shew friendship: promise amendment; and be sure to fulfil your engagements. They are men, though men of God; and their station, their acquaintance with human nature prevents their being deceived long at a time in a general point of view. If you make promises and do not perform, and form excuses that are vain, they will discover it, and this will add to their exceeding great afflictions.

Dear Brethren, we would close this lengthy Epistle by observing to you that at this period of time, when such great things are transpiring in the world, there are various claims upon your liberality; let each have a due place: remember Missionary Societies, and Bible Societies. "The poor ye have always with you, and ye can do them good whenever ye list." The fatherless and the widow, ye remember what James says, help all these in reason. But do not forget your ministers; let them not be overlooked: do what you can; cast into the treasury of God; and God will bless you: God will not leave you to suffer materially for doing your duty in supporting the sacred ministry.

And now, Brethren, with much love and affectionate solicitude for your present and eternal welfare, we commend you to God, &c.

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