

directly or indirectly tend to the promotion of the Redeemer's declarative glory among the children of men.

Considering the above statement of the inhabitants of the globe, and the great necessity of property to enable the Bible Society and its various auxiliaries to prosecute their laudable design, you will we trust remember it is clear, that, where God gives property, it should not be withheld when his cause calls for it. And brethren we cannot but observe to you, that while there is so much practical infidelity abounding in the land, it becomes every lover of the Lord Jesus to show themselves on the Lord's side. O brethren let closets be frequented; be sure to keep up family worship; let not business, company, or any thing else prevent the worship of God in your houses. For if this be the case, what is the consequence? Your children may be literally said to be brought up for the Devil; be careful, so to conduct, that the children of God may not be grieved. Form no connexions, attend to no pursuits which will cast a stumbling block in their way; but be careful to maintain the public worship of God with those who are zealous in his cause. You profess to be redeemed, not only from the different vails of Heathenism, Mahometanism, Judaism, Popery, &c. but also from many of the absurdities existing among Protestant communities; and to be the most evangelical communion in the Christian world. And shall it be told in Gath, or published in the streets of Askelon, that many of those whose errors you renounce, are more moral than many who have (professedly) been baptized into the blessed Jesus, whose doctrine, precepts, and worship are so holy and whose disciples are designed to be so? Surely no; this ought not to be; but while you renounce your works of righteousness as a ground of your acceptance with God, you ought to be careful to maintain good works as a test of your love, and so walk in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. Hoping that God will stir you to more diligence in the use of the means of Grace, we commend you to God and the word of his Grace, which is able to build you up, and establish you in every good word and work, and give you an inheritance among them that are sanctified.

Signed in behalf of the Association,

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