

as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord; and why not at once consent to walk in this consecrated way. But some may say Joshua was a leader in Israel, possessing talents which we have not; be it so, we are not required to improve gifts, we have not but those we have, which, however small, are far more acceptable to our Maker than an attempt to improve what we have not could possibly be. Heaven direct us all in a close inspection of our covenant vows, and from all our offences may we return to the Lord, who will have mercy upon us, and to our God who will abundantly pardon.