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What a noble employment is the investigation and proclamation of truth! How lofty the exercise of reason, and how ravishing the action of the heart upon the deep and high things of God! How vast the conceptions entertained by a mind wholly devoted to the pursuit, and capable of grasping what is great, and realizing what is grand! Who, endowed with reason and intelligence, would hesitate about becoming the pupil of truth and the disciple of God? And who that acknowledges the supremacy and perfection of the HOLY SPIRIT'S TEACHING, would pour contempt upon both by exalting to a level