

Scriptures of both Testaments as "the authoritative source of Christian Truth," to be interpreted in harmony with all well ascertained facts. He has, indeed, produced several speculations and fallacies, to impeach the authenticity of that version, but not a solitary *well ascertained fact*. All the essential Scripture doctrines just mentioned Mr. Wesley fully believed and taught during the whole of his ministerial life. Upright and honorable man as he always was, and as a clergyman of the English Established Church, he could not, and would not, preach and teach contrary to those doctrines, or any others enjoined by the Scriptures, and by that church. Yet, knowing all this, and what the standards of Methodism were, as established by Mr. Wesley himself, Mr. Roy has presumed to name his new sect a "Wesley Congregational Church." It is not merely an entire misnomer, but may even justly be styled a defamation of Mr. Wesley.

On entering the Methodist Ministry Mr. Roy was fully acquainted with all those Methodist Standards, and therefore immediately on forming his doctrinal opinions contrary to any of them, he should have retired from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Church. But it appears that he did not act in that christian and honorable manner. It may here be remarked, as unfavorable to his opinions, that he has not, in his pamphlet, given a single passage of Scripture in support of any one of them.

SEC. 2.—ANSWER TO MR. ROY'S VIEWS AND REMARKS ON MR. WESLEY'S SENTIMENTS AND CONDUCT IN RELATION TO THE METHODIST SYSTEM, AND ALSO ON THE DOCTRINAL STANDARDS OF METHODISM.

Mr. Roy, throughout all those parts of his pamphlet which relate to Mr. Wesley's establishment of Methodism, and his carrying it forward, has earnestly labored to show that in its establishment it was perfectly catholic, or universal; and that though it gradually became more and more restrictive and exclusive, yet Mr. Wesley, its founder and continued leader was constantly increasing "in extended sympathy" and catholicity as to the Christian faith, and the doctrinal belief of all those professing that faith. Now, here, once for all, let me entreat the reader to bear in mind throughout this examination, that it was Mr. Wesley *alone* who originated Methodism, and was its leader and consolidator to the end of his life. It was he who soon after its establishment, framed the numerous Articles for the regulation