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can cheer you, in such an hour, but the delightful thought that they are gone to God. You may be soon laid in beds of languishing, and what can sustain you, but those offices of christian love which direct the eyes of the dying to the great sacrifice for sin, and teach the soul to hope for the forgiveness of past transgression, and the enjoyment of eternal blessedness, through Jesus Christ. You must, yourselves, soon take your departure hence, and what can fortify your minds against the terrors of death, but that calm and placid resignation to the will of God, that results from a firm faith in the promises of the gospel. These consolations are offered unto all; but they are not the portion of all. All may appropriate them in the faithful exercise of the means of grace; but many continue strangers to their influences. They are spiritual, and can only belong to those who spiritually apprehend them, and resign themselves to their power. They are the blessed fruits of christian faith and love,—the rewards bestowed only on those who have, through life, loved and served their Lord. To all besides, the gospel is but "the savor of death unto death,"—not "the savor of life unto life." The unfaithful and disobedient, conscious that they have more to fear than to hope from its truth, will never be able to reflect seriously on its discoveries, without horror and alarm. What then is the duty incumbent upon you all, in the circumstances in which you are placed, as dying yet immortal creatures? Surely it is that you earnestly strive, through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, to qualify