
THE NATURE AND EFFECTS OF RECONCILLATION THROUGH THE GOSPEL.

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And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

THE Society, at whose request I now address you, my christian friends, solicits your assistance in a cause, confessedly of the highest importance. You often assemble that you may minister to the temporal wants of your afflicted and poor brethren. This day you are convened, in the sanctuary of the Lord, to enjoy the satisfaction, and participate in the honour of ministering to the necessities of their *souls*;—of sending the message of salvation among a people, who have not the means of providing for it themselves; making “the wilderness and the solitary place glad for them, and the desert rejoice, and blossom as the rose.” “How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings; that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of

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