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or a nation, but the power of God unto salvation, to every one that believes: But to enable us thus to walk, it is necessary that we should 'live a life of faith on the son of God:—keep our hearts with much diligence'; and practise self denial in all things; remembering that it ought to be the business of our lives "to glorify God in our bodies and spirits which are his." How did the light of Daniel thus shine among men who were unacquainted with his God, and his religion; Such were his integrity and uprightness that his enemies were constrained to confess they could find no occasion to condemn him, except concerning "the law of his God."

Yet he did not obtain this reputation by a sinful compliance with the customs of those around him; No he would rather give up all his honours and be cast into the lion's den, than to omit the worship of Israel's God: Though Jerusalem lay in heaps, he would according to the divine command open his windows, and stretch forth his hands towards God's holy place: Though Zion had been carried away captive, and her God seemed to have forgotten her, still he would stay himself upon his God and trust in the name of the Lord: How much was God glorified by his resolute adherence to him, and by the great deliverance granted to this servant of the Lord: And who can tell how many of these poor idolaters might be "turned from idolatry to serve the living and true God": and thus he made "stars in his crown rejoicing in the day of the Lord". Let it then never be said of any of us dear brethren, that such a one is covetous or intemperate, or unmindful of his engagements, or given to levity or foolish talking or jesting, remembering that such things like the flies in the apothecaries ointment, cause our good to be evil spoken of, but let us by 'doing justly;—loving mercy;—and walking humbly with God' commend ourselves to every man's conscience in his sight, and thus endeavour to glorify him in our bodies and spirits which are his".

But there is a still larger circle in which we are required to 'hold forth the word of life'; when our exalted Redeemer was about to ascend to the throne of his glory, he gave commandment to his disciples to 'go teach all nations,' and thus committed to his churches a precious deposit—the word, of life—to be disseminated among all people; and transmitted down to the latest generations as the richest blessing, (next to the gift of the Saviour) ever bestowed upon the human family. Various means have been used for this purpose: Bible Societies, Tract Societies and schools for the instruction of the rising generation; are noble institutions

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