



THE P R E F A C E.

IT is a lamentable Truth, that Man by his Rebellion against GOD has plunged himself into such a State of Opposition to his own Happiness, that there is nothing that his Nature rejects and opposes more than the only Thing which he stands in perishing Need of, and therefore he stands not only condemned in himself, but likewise wholly exposed to the Snares and Tyranny of the Powers of Darkness: By which Means Thousands and Tens of Thousands perish in their Sins even under all the Privileges of the Means of Grace, and surrounded with an offering of redemption. And the Devil finds nothing more effectual for the Destruction of Souls (in a Land of Gospel-Light) than a Resemblance of the Cause of CHRIST, and a Counterfeits of the true Religion; and here it is, that almost all the precious and immortal Souls are lost.