

The spirit of a man is in him; severity and rigour may create fear, but can never command his love.

Mix kindness with reproof, and reason with authority, so shall thy admonitions take place in his heart, and his duty shall become his pleasure.

He shall serve thee faithfully, from the motive of gratitude; he shall obey thee cheerfully, from the principle of love; and fail not thou in return to give his diligence and fidelity their proper reward.

CHAP. IV.—MAGISTRATES AND SUBJECTS.

O Thou the favourite of Heaven! whom the sons of men, thy equals, have agreed to raise to sovereign power, and set as ruler over themselves, consider the ends and importance of their trust, far more than the dignity and height of thy station.

Thou art clothed in purple and seated on a throne; the crown of majesty investeth thy temples, the sceptre of power is placed in thy hand: But not for thyself were these ensigns given; not meant for thine own, but the good of thy kingdom.

The glory of a king is the welfare of his people; his power and dominion rest on the hearts of his subjects.

The mind of a great prince is exalted with the grandeur of his situation; he resolveth high things, and searcheth for business worthy of his power.

He calleth together the wise men of his kingdom, he consulteth among them with freedom, and heareth the opinions of all.

He looketh among his people with discernment; he