

The missionary should be *emphatically* humble. It should be deep extending to every power and emotion of the soul—impregnating all his actions. It should be a humility based upon the same knowledge, views, and feelings, as those just represented to be the proper bases of a missionary's love.—A humility, which feels, in all its extent and import, that without God, we can do nothing acceptable to Him—that all strength for the discharge of duty is from the Lord—that having done all, we are unprofitable servants.

There is much connected with missionary labour, which demands such humility. I shall simply refer, to the notoriety and self-denial of this work. On account of these, the youthful missionary is in danger of having his motives, to a certain extent, corrupted by these influences. He may thus labour, in part, to be admired; and also conceive, that the course of life which he is following, merits God's favour, deserves a reward, and renders them more worthy in the sight of God than those Christians who remain *at home*. These things rob God of his own; are dishonouring to Him; will result in the loss of souls; impair the missionary's usefulness and growth in spirituality; and largely mar his own comfort and delight in the work. Such humility, (which is also the work of the Spirit and should be the subject of constant and *earnest* prayer,) only, can raise him superior to all those influences. Hence, the missionary, above all others, should be a person of deep, heartfelt humility.

It is highly desirable, that the missionary have enlarged and accurate views of God's universal Providence. He should not only know, but feel that it not only takes cognizance of those stupendous events which arrest the gaze of all; but also of the most minute events and things in existence. Such is necessary to give him comfort and encouragement in his difficult, discouraging, and solitary work.

Having thus hastily and very imperfectly stated, what I conceive to be the *more important* qualifications of missionaries with some subjoined reasons, why, they should possess these gifts and acquisitions; I would come now, in the next place, to state some farther reasons, why they should be thus fitted for this work.

1 Those trials incident to the missionary's *leaving* his beloved land. The first thought which occurs to the mind, is,