

from the Transaction of human Affairs, that he is endued with Abilities and Faculties on Purpose for the Government, and Management of them. And the right Application and Exertion, or the Neglect and Abuse of these Talents, will always decide the Fate of Nations; for by the Wills and Actions of the Inhabitants Kingdoms flourish, and are established; or decay, and are overthrown.

The same Covenant therefore which God originally made with the *Jews*, has always been, and is now in full Force with every Kingdom under Heaven. By hearkening to, and obeying the Voice of God, a People may become a *Treasure* to Him; or by refusing to hear, or attend to the divine Commands, they will be liable to his heaviest Displeasure.

An unreserved Obedience to the Laws of God is the surest Means of procuring his Favour,