

"He urged the command of Jesus to take the Gospel to the whole world, and asserted that a Church neglecting this call of the Saviour could never receive the blessing. He spoke of the reflex benefit upon themselves, and of the pall of gross darkness hanging over paganism. 'The glory of God calls us to the task. The command of God calls us to it. The reproaches of those who have gone down to perdition unwarned call us to it. And last, but not least, the spiritual deadness that prevails among our churches, which is perhaps a judicial retribution for the indifference which we have so long shown to the Gospel, calls us to it.'"

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