

are entering upon the career of life : “ Remember your Creator in the days of your youth,” is a precept fraught with heavenly wisdom, of more value than all the moral instruction to be found in the volumes of Greece and of Rome. At a time of life, when men are most apt to forget Him ; when too frequently, giddiness, health, high spirits, and frivolous amusements, banish every serious thought, and efface every religious impression ; draw you near to your Lord and Master, and cleave to Him with full purpose of heart. There is something ingenuous, something noble, in dedicating the prime of your days, and the vigour of your strength, to the service of your Creator ; and piety at an early age, is sweeter than incense, and more fragrant than all the perfumes of the East---And such early piety, God has never failed to distinguish with peculiar marks of his regard : Read the histories of Moses, of Joseph, of Joshua, of Samuel, and of David, and other Worthies recorded in Holy Scripture, and you will find them all remarkable for early devotion, and obedience to the Divine Law. Turn a deaf ear, then, to those unprincipled men, who at any time may endeavor to seduce you from the good and the right way. Remember that what men of the world palliate, by delusive and sophistical terms, calling by the soft names of frolick and natural wildness, and vernal indulgences of youth, God in his Holy Word calls damnable sins, and threatens, “ that for these things, He will bring you into judgment.” Remember that time is constantly on the wing, therefore, improve the moments as they pass, to the very best advantage ; for soon the years will come, “ when ye shall say, we have no pleasure in them.” Soon the years will come, when nothing but piety and virtue, can yield you any solid comfort. Happy, therefore, are ye, if you shall learn wisdom by the advice and experience of those who have gone before you, or by the dear bought wisdom by actual sufferings.