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Let us "buy the truth and sell it not." Let us "hold fast the faithful word even as we have been taught." "Let the word of God dwell in us richly in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;" and then shall we know how to reserve for the Book "given by inspiration of God," a place which no merely human composition may share with it; whilst retaining, in due respect and honour, Symbols so truly Scriptural in doctrine and tone as the Westminster Confession and Catechisms. It would be a serious evil if the Presbyterian Church should fail in catholicity of spirit and practice; for it really seems as if, in the present time, it were in no small measure entrusted to her to represent, in her Doctrinal Basis and in her practice and sympathies, the Unity of the Church of Christ; but it would be an evil of still more appalling magnitude should we ever waver in our attachment to the Doctrines of Grace, and in our love of those great Evangelical Principles which our Church has been so much honoured to uphold and propagate. May we and all the Churches of the Saints "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."