

how to *live unto God* while living among men. With all their other acquisitions, they have obtained the *pearl of great price* : with a competency of worldly good, they are also *rich in faith*, and *heirs of the kingdom*. Walking in all humility before God, and enjoying the comforts of his love, they have at the same time acquired the confidence and respect of all who are judges of character and lovers of true worth. They are *not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ*. On the contrary they glory in it, and are careful, by the consistency and holiness of their deportment, to *adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour*. Of a similar spirit, I trust, are some who now hear me. May their example be universally imitated, and diffuse its holy influence throughout the whole community.

Suffer me to conclude with a few words of exhortation.

First. *Be upon your guard against the love of the world*. Nothing is more destructive to the souls of men. It is the universal temptation which besets the human race ; and nothing but the grace of God can deliver you from it. There is no danger against which the Saviour and his Apostles are more frequent and solemn in their warnings than this ; and the reason is obvious,—there is none to which we are more exposed, or which is more successful in its attacks and more fatal in its consequences. From the carnal mind it will receive a warm and cordial welcome, as in perfect harmony with its propensities and desires ; and upon such a mind it will exert its deadly power till it is plunged beyond hope into the pit of perdition. Even