

Mr. Crawley has written, having neither had or read the book, and you may therefore depend upon the sincerity of my heart; even should you consider me mistaken in my views. It is also well-known to the Searcher of hearts that at this time I may be said to be suffering the loss of all things; but it is in, and for, the cause of God that I am called to suffer: and I had rather offend *all* the world every day, than offend God *once* on one day.

Take the word of God, for your *rule*, pray him to grant his holy Spirit for your *guide*, and so shall you be led into "*all truth*." The word of God will stand, when the writings, and doctrines of men are burned up.

If you see it your duty to follow the example of your divine Redeemer in being baptized, take up your cross cheerfully,—"*arise and be baptized*;" and instead of considering it a *burthen* laid upon you, look upon it as an *honour* conferred upon you. And when you look at the ordinance of baptism *simply* in itself, be careful not to attach any thing of a *saving* nature unto it. Neither should you look upon it as an act of *submission* on your part; but keeping your eye of faith fixed upon Christ, look upon it as an *exalted privilege* that you are permitted to tread in his steps.

Do not put it off on account of your not being *fit*, or *worthy*, the Saviour requires no other fitness than to feel *your need* of, and *faith* in, him. And having thus publicly professed yourself to be a christian, endeavour in all things to *live like one*; and if other christians differ from you consider it nothing strange: but remember that though as Christians, we cannot all *think* alike, it is our duty, and privilege to love alike.—See. John 13. 35. A *christian* without *love*, there cannot be any more than a *man* without a *soul*; for *love* is the *soul* of religion.

Some Christians are contending *all* for *faith*, and others *all* for *works*: but do you *strive for both*.

A Christian lives to *love* and *work*, though he does not *work* that he might *live*. "Let no man deceive you," Christ's people are a *loving*, *praying*, and *working* people, and all this grows out of their being a *believing* people. Tit. 2. 14. 1. John 3. 3. Endeavour to serve God, and you may depend upon God serving you.—Isa. 41, 10. Nothing can *harm* you but *sin*, and nothing can *save* you but *grace*, "And now, (reader,) I commend you to *God*, and to the *word of his grace*." FAREWELL.