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## P R E F A C E .

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THE writer of these Prayers has been engaged for a number of years in missionary work under different forms. In his intercourse with persons in various countries through which he has passed, he has endeavoured to lead them to God through our Lord Jesus Christ; and in connection with this, he has pointed out the value of prayer, and urged the use of it in Families and by Individuals. On these occasions he has often wished for a little book of Prayers, of whose Gospel accuracy he was fully aware, in order that he might put it forthwith into the hands of those to whom he spoke, or that he might point it out to them with directions where to find it. This desire has led in a considerable degree to the preparation of the work now published.— Many persons require forms of prayer when they commence this exercise, and others prefer using a set form at all times. To meet the convenience of both these the present manual has been drawn up. May God grant that it may be useful to many Families, and to many Individuals.

The Cross of Christ, where hangs all our hope, is prominently brought forward in these prayers; and the Sinner, (for this is the true character of us all,) is led by the words here placed before him, to humble himself and to confess his guilt and vileness in the sight of God, with penitence and contrition, and to sue for forgiveness through "the precious blood of Christ." Again, the believer is here led