

stitution, who have become the subjects of that kingdom, we have the distinct traces of omnipotence. Their new creation is of God. Their translation from the kingdom of Darkness into the kingdom of his dear Son is effected by divine agency. They are God's workmanship, and in the spiritual renovation of their nature, both his goodness and power are singularly displayed.

There is an entire change in their condition and character. In a state of nature, they were enemies to God in their minds and by wicked works, and decidedly opposed to all that is of God; but through the operation of divine power and grace in their conversion and regeneration, they are now reconciled. The enmity of their carnal hearts has been slain, and far other and different dispositions are cherished and manifested. From being aliens, they have become sons of God, and because sons born again, God hath sent forth the spirit of his Son into their hearts; and recognizing and loving God as their Father, they serve him acceptably with reverence and filial fear with all the docility and willingness of obedient and loving children. Once were they darkness, but now are they light in the Lord; and enlightened by the grace and spirit of God, they shine as lights in a dark world. The effects produced by the Gospel, on the objects of divine love, are most blessed, and they are manifested to his glory where power alone is equal to their production. The Gospel, accompanied by divine power, has been, and is still productive of incalculable good. It is the brightest manifestation of Jehovah's goodness and grace that ever was, or could be given. It contains God's message of mercy to man. It brings glory to the Three-One God and Salvation to lost and perishing souls. By means of it, God is for-