

of God, wrought in your soul, for you tell me, "It seems to me that God has given me progress; my thoughts are certainly very different from what they were a month or two ago."

May the Lord give you to cast aside all your doubts, all the questions which embarrass and hinder your soul. May your heart feed upon Jesus, upon His person, His love, His expiatory work, His blood which cleanses from all sin.

In commending you anew to Jesus, the only and sufficient Saviour, whose love never repels any who come to Him,

I remain, yours, etc. ———

Let not the example of thy friends and relations, nor any confidence in the superiority of their wisdom, influence thee to defer the case of thy salvation to a future time; for all men, even thy friends and relations, will forget thee much sooner than thou supposest. It is better to "provide oil for thy lamp" now, than to depend upon receiving it from others, "when the bridegroom cometh," for if thou art not careful of thyself now, who can be careful of thee hereafter, when time and opportunity are forever lost? This instant—now—is exceeding precious; now is "the accepted time, now is the day of salvation." How deplorable, therefore, is it, not to improve this invaluable moment, in which we may lay hold of eternal life? A time will come when thou shalt wish for one day, nay, one hour, to repent in; and who can tell if thou wilt be able to obtain it?

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