

that those commands which seem to be hard, dark and mysterious are cheerfully obeyed according to the strict letter of the law. Every duty toward God and man is discharged. Duty at times is a pleasure to the true child of God, but consecration makes it equally binding when it is painful, and sustains such a relation between the soul and God that there is no lack of power to do the will of God in all things. The active, consecrated soul does not object to work because it is unpleasant, and will undertake with enthusiasm that which is humiliating, painful and laborious. Consecration ceases to be complete when nothing is undertaken which causes the soul to agonize before God for help. Knowledge, wisdom and power are to be sought, in order that the whole duty may be done in such a manner as to bring the most possible glory to God.

Consecration places every member of the body under the direct operation of the Holy Ghost, every faculty of the soul at the disposal of the Spirit for joyful service, every capacity of the mind at God's disposal for intelligent service, and every organ of speech to be controlled and used only for God's glory.

The following words were the expression of President Jonathan Edwards when consecrating himself to God's service: "I have been before God, and have given myself, all that I am and have, to God, so that