

things! Loving trust in God is what He asks of us and, if this is seated in our hearts, it will bring to us in due time all we need.

Next I bid you accustom yourselves to daily, frequent prayer for pardon. In all things we come short. When we have done all, we are but unprofitable servants. Too often we sin in thought, in word, in deed. Bring yourselves then often to the mercy seat. Tell out to God your weakness and wrongdoings, and seek anew the cleansing of your souls by the Lamb's blood. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Finally I bid you ask God for Grace to serve Him. Set your heart on this day by day. Ask for special help when you feel special need. Whatever else you are, be first a servant of God. Seek to be honorable, truthful, pure, and manly in your daily life. Every day of victory in such a course makes victory next day easier. This will not only secure a blessing for yourselves—even that inward peace and hope, that none of us in this world of sin and death should dare to be without—but you will be a blessing to all around you. And in seeking grace from God bear in mind, that He has given us special means by which we may specially hope for grace. Enter with your heart into the public prayers of the school and church as well as your own private prayers. And, if you are older and have been confirmed, prepare yourselves, when you have the opportunity, for coming to the Lord's Table. That will give you, if you seek it, grace to have a right tone and spirit in all your life and studies. And, now, my young friends, I have only to express the hope that the great grief, that has led to these remarks, may be sanctified to the friends of the departed and to all of us. May we be made more conscious of what is the one thing needful, more real in our spiritual life, more thoughtful of the interests of our souls. Here we shall sadly miss him that has gone. It is not a small loss in a school to lose a boy who had every quality to make him, by and by, when a little older, a leader and to lead well, obedient to authority, attentive to the rules of the school, faithful in his school work, having the courage of his opinions, and a gentleman in feeling and demeanor. In another year he would have been in the fourth Form and we looked forward to his example being of the greatest value. But it has been otherwise ordered and we cannot but feel, that, if we miss him, how sadly he must be missed in that home, where he was the only surviving son, a