

C that when we have *sang his Praise*, we may not ungratefully *forget his Works*, or return to *Sin*; which is to rob him of his deserved Glory, and fly in the Face of our great Preserver and Benefactor! It is the vilest Degree of Ingratitude and provoking Baseness; It is to fight against Him who has been marvellously fighting for us, and given us a wonderful Series of great Salvations. Yea, this will be the dangerous Way to move him to turn *our Enemy*; to change the Course of his slighted Dispensations, and give *the Place* into our Adversaries Hands again, with a more dreadful and mischievous Increase of Power than ever, to punish us. And the Sins of *Drunkenness*, *Profanation of the Name* and *Day of God*, *Uncleanness*, *Injustice*, *Oppression*, *Contempt of CHRIST*, and *Opposition to the Purity*, *Power* and *Practice of his holy Religion*; are some of the highest and most dangerous Provocations and Preparatives to ruinous Judgments.

Yea *distinguishing Appearances of God* to save and prosper us, are *distinguishing Obligations*, not only to *distinguishing Degrees of Joy and Praise*, but also to *distinguishing Degrees of Piety*, i. e. of active Gratitude and Love to God, of perpetual Contrivances and Labours to promote his Glory and holy Kingdom in Ourselves and Others, and to a constant Life of Service to his Cause and People. And as the *Failure* of this will not be a rendering to him according to his signal Benefits; but a most *ungrateful Treatment* of Him; *his Eyes* are always on us, to observe us *now*, and to judge and recompense us *Here* or *Hereafter*.

But let us rejoice, not only in *our own Salvation*, the Salvation of *all our Colonies*, and some of the most important Branches of the *British Trade*; — But let our Joy rise higher, that hereby a *great Support of Antichristian Power* is taken away, and the *visible Kingdom of CHRIST* enlarged. Methinks, when the southern *Gates of Louisbourg* were opened, and our Army with their Banners were marching in; *the Gates were lifted up* — *the Gates were lifted up* — and the KING of GLORY went in with them. Even the SON of GOD, the LORD of Hosts, the LORD strong and mighty in Battle — having gain'd the Conquest, he rode in Triumph and took Possession. He set up his Standard, proclaim'd his Gospel of Peace, the Glad Tidings of Salvation, open'd the Prisons, redeem'd his Captives, and began to receive his grateful Incense of pure Adorations! O that There, in Purity of Worship, Doctrine and