

FAMILY WORSHIP.

THE importance of Family Worship is very great, in respect to individuals, families, and communities. Every thing, therefore, that is done to make this exercise more general, or that is calculated to lead to its more profitable performance, is of advantage. The present tract contemplates these objects. Many are hindered from attempting this family duty from timidity or an inability to conduct the worship in a proper manner. The forms here given, and the general directions, will be of service to such persons. They may also perhaps be of more or less service to those who are already in the habit of performing this duty.

Some persons are in favour of extemporaneous prayer, and others prefer the use of forms. It is not material which plan is followed, if the understanding and the heart are properly engaged. Perhaps the occasional practice of each in turn would be the most profitable.

To those who use forms, this little Manual is presented, in the hope of its being useful to them:—and it is offered also to those who follow a different practice in general, should they be inclined to the occasional use of a form.