

comfort to me to think that I have done a little for God in the world ; it is but a very small matter ; yet I have done a little, and I lament it that I have not done more for him.' 'There is nothing in the world worth living for, but doing good and finishing God's work ; doing the work that Christ did. I see nothing else in the world that can yield any satisfaction beside living to God, pleasing him, and doing his whole will. My greatest joy and comfort has been to do something for promoting the interest of religion and the souls of particular persons."

"After he came to be in so low a state that he ceased to have the least expectation of recovery, his mind was peculiarly carried forth with earnest concern for the prosperity of the Church of God on earth. This seemed very manifestly to arise from a pure disinterested love to Christ, and a desire of his glory. The prosperity of Zion was a theme on which he dwelt much, and of which he spake much, and more and more the nearer death approached. He told me when near his end, that 'never, in all his life, had his mind been so led forth in desires and earnest prayers for the flourishing of Christ's kingdom on the earth, as since he was brought so exceedingly low at Boston.' He seemed much to wonder that there appeared no more of a disposition in ministers and people, to pray for the flourishing of religion through the world. Particularly he several times expressed his wonder that there appeared no more forwardness to comply with the proposal lately made from Scotland, for united extraordinary prayer among God's people, and for the coming of Christ's kingdom, and sent it as his dying advice to his own congregation, that they should practise agreeably to that proposal.

"But a little before his death, he said to me, as I came into the room, 'My thoughts have been on the old dear theme, the prosperity of God's Church on earth. As I waked out of sleep, I was led to cry for the pouring out of God's Spirit, and the advancement of Christ's kingdom, for which