

WITH regard to the honours paid to those who are no more, their principal quality should be simplicity and sincerity. It is contrary to good sense and piety to carry into death the difference between rich and poor, and to profane our mortal remains by surrounding them with the apparel of our pride and vanity.

When we are asked where the dead have gone, the best reply would be, "They have gone to God." They belong to Him as they did while living, and as we do also. The tie between them and us is not broken, for we are bound together through God Himself, in Whom is our life.

It is thus that our journey ends. God surrounds us on every side. We come from Him, we go to Him, and, according to the beautiful saying of Saint Augustine, "For Thyself, O God, hast Thou created us, and our hearts know no repose until they rest in Thee."