

us : *Behold now is the accepted time, behold now is the day of salvation.*

Since this life is of all things the most precarious, and but very short, at the longest ; let us not defer or postpone the work of our salvation for one month, one day, or one hour. The longer we defer it, the more excuse shall we find for further delay ; and the less inclination shall we find to prosecute it. Therefore now is not only the accepted time, but the *best* time to secure an interest in the precious blood of the Lamb of God ; to gain an heirship in the blessed mansions of eternal rest ; to make our calling and election sure.

The usual snare in which Satan entraps heedless souls, is persuading them to procrastinate the interesting business of their salvation. Each day the maxim is " to-morrow I will consider, repent, and amend, and

———" Each succeeding morrow  
" Has lighted fools to their eternal home."

During our whole lives, we are resolving to turn to God, not at present, but on a future day, till at the age of fifty, sixty or seventy years, we die the same unprepared, unrepenting, unreformed sinners.

No rational creature expects or consents to suffer eternal torment : Yet he knows that there is no way to escape this torment, but by repentance, faith, charity and new obedience : These