

and remember, that it is not only they, but God who requires it. And when they reprove you for anything they may have seen improper in your conduct, towards them or towards others, in school or out of school, you are bound to mind what they say. Be assured they advise you only for your good, they have your temporal and eternal welfare at heart. They remember the charge their Saviour gave to the Apostle Peter, to "feed his Lambs."

The chief aim of your Teachers is, to teach you the first principles of religion, by telling you of God who made you, of the Saviour who died for you, and of the Spirit who sanctifies you; how you may obtain peace in this world, and happiness in the world, to come. They not only instruct you, but pray for you. And will you not attend to their instructions? The most unkind return for all their care and labour is to see the ill success of them. Even the publicans and sinners, our blessed Lord says, "do good to those who do good to them." Oh! how anxious should you be then, my little friends, to repay your kind Teachers who thus employ their time for your improvement!

Think of this, think how it grieves them when they have cause to reprove you for your inattention or misconduct; remember that, by slighting their advice, you not only grieve them, but you are disobeying the commandments of God; and that if you continue to despise and reject their instructions you will sooner or later reflect upon your bad conduct with shame and remorse.

Strive then to please them; resolve for the future to obey their commands; pray that the Lord would shed his love in your hearts, that a kind temper may govern your behaviour towards them. Praise God for the opportunities of a Sabbath school, where you are taught the way to heaven by Jesus Christ. Show gratitude to your Teachers, by attending to what they say; and if you are really desirous of giving them