

gour, to increase our wealth, and gain riches for our children; "What then shall we do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall we answer him? did not he that made us, make them? and did not he one fashion us in the womb?" Job xxxi. 13, 14.

To our great master we stand or fall, to judge or condemn us as is most suitable to his wisdom or authority; my inclination is to persuade, and intreat, and simply give hints of my way of thinking.

If the christian religion be considered, both respecting its doctrines, and the happy influence which it hath on the minds and manners of all real christians, it looks reasonable to think, that the miraculous manifestation thereof to the world, is a kindness beyond expression.

Are we the people thus favoured? are we they whose minds are opened, influenced, and governed by the Spirit of Christ, and thereby made sons of God? is it not a fair conclusion, that we, like our heavenly Father, ought, in our degree, to be active in the same great cause, of the eternal happiness of, at least, our whole families, and more, if thereto capacitated?

If we, by the operation of the Spirit of Christ, become heirs with him in the kingdom of his Father, and are redeemed from the alluring counterfeit joys of this world, and the joy of Christ remain in us, to suppose that one remaining in this happy condition,