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That God, in consequence of his authority over us, has actually thought proper to prescribe to us law^s or rules of conduct. page 137

- Sect. 1. *God exercises his authority over us, by prescribing laws to us.* ibid.
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- Sect. 1. *First means of discerning moral good and evil, namely, instinct or inward sense.* ibid.
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