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## PREFACE.

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UNTO THEE do we lift up our eyes, O THOU that dwellest in the heavens! and acknowledge with the most heart-felt gratitude, the efficiency of that grace which commanded light to shine out of darkness, and which has shone upon the minds of thy people, to discover the glory of thy attributes, and the manifestations of thy free, unalterable, unmerited favour.

TO THEE, O SON of the FATHER! we give our unfeigned tribute of Thanks, who undertookest to be the bondsman of thy mystic body, who loaded thyself with their sins, and not only atoned for their crimes, but their follies; and made amends for every idle word, and for every vain thought which passed through their hearts. Thanks, everlasting thanks be given to THEE, O SAVIOUR of the guilty! who by a voluntary susception, was considered as a sinner, who restored what thou didst not take away; who became surety for thy insolvent people, and who atoned for their transgressions to the very last mite, and stipulated also to see thy offspring, and the salvation of every one of thy Redeemed, as the infallible effect and reward of thy suffering and death, whose mercy and faithfulness will never leave nor forsake the people of thy love, till THOU hast set them above the clouds, and brought them to heaven,

Praise more than our mortal tongues can utter, be rendered unto THEE, O THOU UNCREATED INTELLIGENCER! who with the FATHER and the SON, art equal in glory; to THEE we give the same adoration, for assuming thy share in the œconomy of mercy, and for agreeing to restore the elect to holiness, which it was foreseen they would personally lose, and to the glory which was also foreseen they would legally forfeit; to the THREE ALMIGHTY PERSONS be equal honour given now and for ever.

After bowing our knees with uplifted hands and hearts at the footstool of the TRINITY in UNITY, we acknowledge our obligations to our Correspondents for their invaluable and unsolicited assistance, as likewise to all our patronisers. We cast ourselves upon their candour for whatever defects may occasionally appear

in our Journal. In order to remedy as much as possible every outward appearance, we have had a new type cast on purpose by Mrs. CASLON, so as to appear in a dress more neat and sightly.

When we consider the state of vital godliness among us at the present day, we find nothing to congratulate the church of Christ upon, neither missionary exertions, the opening of various places of worship, nor the multiplied increase of preachers, augurs to us any thing to rejoice at.

We thank the Almighty, that the outward bulwarks of revelation, though long encountered, have successfully resisted the attacks of infidels. The all-unhinging and cool blooded Hume, the indefatigable and diversified assaults of Voltaire, with the more insidious and undermining attempts of Gibbon, have been altogether unavailable. These men with innumerable others, have pecked a little cement from the edifice of Christianity, but have not injured the building: they have hurled their pebbles at the citadel, but have not effected a breach.

We confess, from such a description of character, we have nothing to fear, our terror arises from a different quarter, that is, from the complicated systems, and strange sophisms of professed religionists, whose sentiments are of a motley medley, diversified from that simplicity of truth held forth in the lively oracles of God.

Those of us who have embraced the truth as it is in Jesus, and who have deliverance from sin and death, through faith in the blood of the Lamb, let us stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free, and not be entangled with any yoke of bondage. Therefore beloved brethren, be ye steadfast and unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord: forasmuch as ye know, that your labour shall not be in vain in the Lord. For God has not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.—That you may be able always, for all things, to give thanks unto God, and the Father in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. In whose name we wish our reader's grace, mercy and peace to be multiplied unto them, through the knowledge of the just God and the Saviour, by the teaching of the Holy Ghost.

*London, January 1st, 1805.*

THE EDITORS.