

the Reports from ^{the} Quarterly Meetings, being opened to the view of Friends renewed ability was furnished to administer in the love of the Gospel much seasonable and important Counsel, exhorting Parents and heads of families to get down to the root of divine life in themselves, and therein humbly wait for qualification to fulfil the obligations of duty relative to themselves their tender offspring and those committed to their care; early watching over and guarding their minds from the spots and defilements of the world which are sorrowfully found to eclipse the beauty of our vision, and eventually to retard the great work of reformation.

The dear Youth were earnestly invited in the language of the wise King "Come with me from Lebanon my spouse, from Lebanon, look from ^{the} top of Armana from the top of Phenix and Hermon, from the Lions Dens from the mountains of the Leopards,"

to yield unreserved obedience to the manifestations of truth upon their minds; thus would they be strengthened in the morning of their day, to exchange the vain and delusive gratifications of this life for living and eternal substance. The hurtful effects of indulging in those publications that have a tendency to destroy a relish for the scriptures of truth and thereby open the door for the enemy to captivate the will and affections of the inexperienced Youth until strange Gods are found in dominion and the Lord of life and glory crucified, was forcibly impressed.

And also for those who are endeavouring to choose the God of Jacob for their portion; a solicitude was felt that they might be enabled to keep the word of his patience who has promised to keep such in the hour of temptation.

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