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O merciful Father, who didst endue Thy servant with a wise and cheerful boldness, and didst teach him how to commend the discipline of holy life to kings and princes, give us grace not only to be bold, but to have just cause for boldness, even the fear and love of Thyself alone. Grant this, O Father, for the sake of Thy dear Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

The Epistle

But Wisdom delivered from pain those that attended upon her. When the righteous fell from his brother's wrath, she guided him in right paths, showed him the kingdom of God, and gave him knowledge of holy things, made him rich in his travels and multiplied the fruit of his labours. In the covetousness of such as oppressed him, she stood by him, and made him rich. She defended him from his enemies and kept him safe from those that lay in wait, and in a sore conflict she gave him the victory that he might know that godliness is stronger than all. When the righteous was sold, she forsook him not; but delivered him from sin. She went down with him into the pit and left him not in bonds; till she brought him the sceptre of the Kingdom and power against those that had oppressed him. As for those that had accused him, she showed them to be liars, and gave him perpetual glory (WISD. x. 9).

TO

THE MEMORY OF

MY FRIEND, COLLEAGUE, AND TEACHER

HUGH PRICE HUGHES

PRESIDENT OF THE WESLEYAN
METHODIST CONFERENCE, 1898

IN GRATITUDE AND AFFECTION

I DEDICATE THESE PAGES

Preface

THE Introductory Letter which follows gives some account of those compelling influences which have driven me, in the midst of a crowded life, to prepare this little book. It remains for me in this place to express my indebtedness to the devotional writers of the Church Universal, whose works are the heritage of all communions, Saint Ambrose, Saint Francis of Assisi, Thomas à Kempis, Bishop Andrewes, John and Charles Wesley, and the nameless saints whose prayers are enshrined in the ancient liturgies have handed down to us the product of their spiritual struggles and aspirations. They have delved and explored the mine of sacred truth, and have wrought out of its pure gold a chain of prayer and devotion which links us with the great Throne of God.

I also desire to express my thanks to the Rev. Dr. Alexander Whyte, who gave me a copy of his edition of the "Preces Privatæ" of Bishop Andrewes; and in this connection I would mention