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"Ye distant lands, the story hear!  
Believe it, every nation!  
Seek the same Jesus!!! Who shall fear,  
If we have found salvation?"

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TO  
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
LORD AND LADY BARHAM,  
THESE  
SACRED EXTRACTS OF "GRACE AND TRUTH,"  
Are Dedicated  
BY  
THEIR AFFECTIONATE SISTER,  
LETITIA PENELOPE NOEL.

## INTRODUCTION.

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THE Reader must not expect to find any new scheme of doctrines in the following pages, but “*old Evangelical truths*”—directing the *eye* to that light which is from above, and the *heart* to that “*peace which passeth all understanding.*” “*If religion is any thing, it is every thing.*”

But two grand distinctions evidently appear to exist, which divide mankind—*they who walk humbly with God*, and they who adopt something like religion, *but refuse to give Him their heart.*

A few years will practically convince us, that any other choice than the *former*, is delusion, folly, and misery; yet, “all think all mortal but themselves;” hence we suffer the vanities of the world, and the opinions of those who are influenced by them, to lead us on blindfold and unmindful of those transcendent blessings which the promises of Scripture hold out to us. Let us think of our privileges as Christians. Are we not offered an inheritance, incorruptible, where we shall dwell with Christ, and behold his glory, and be made a partaker of his perfect holiness? What then is our great business on earth? To cultivate that holiness, that spirituality of mind,



that love of God, of His Word, of His people. How evidently is the cultivation of those graces and dispositions, the earnest and pledge of a better state; and the neglect of them, an awful proof of unfitness for it. We need not volumes of cases of conscience to tell us what we may do, and what refrain from. The road is plain before us. "The wayfaring man need not err in it." This disposition corresponds and co-operates with all that is amiable, all that is benevolent, active, and cheerful.

What a field for energy does a near insight into this world of trouble, ignorance, and poverty, lay open before us! Are we not called upon to *run*

the *Christian race*? It may be short, it may be tedious—plain, or rugged—pleasant, or painful. The prize is before us! The crown, *the celestial crown*, is in view—“even an eternal weight of glory!”

*One hope*, it whispers, gilds departing day,  
Which burns the brighter, as life ebbs away.

MOXHULL PARK,

*June 22, 1837.*

### THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose Providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour by preaching of repentance; make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent, according to his preaching, and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.