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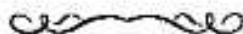
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" THIS BOOK OF THE LAW SHALL NOT DEPART OUT OF THY MOUTH;
BUT THOU SHALT MEDITATE THEREIN DAY AND NIGHT, THAT THOU
MAYEST OBSERVE TO DO ACCORDING TO ALL THAT IS WRITTEN THERE-
IN; FOR THEN THOU SHALT MAKE THY WAY PROSPEROUS, AND THEN
THOU SHALT HAVE GOOD SUCCESS."

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Preface.

THE substance of the following pages was originally composed, at the Editor's request, for the **JUVENILE MISSIONARY MAGAZINE** of the United Presbyterian Church, and appeared in successive Numbers of that useful and popular periodical, the monthly circulation of which amounts to 37,000 copies. The "Lectures"* are now published in a separate form, and have been enlarged by at least two-thirds of additional

* This title, ambitious only in appearance, may be pardoned for the sake of its convenience.

matter. Some ideas have been more fully brought out and discussed. Several illustrations have been rendered, perhaps, more striking and attractive, by a few selected proofs and examples from Biography and Biblical Literature.

Though written for the rising generation, these plain addresses are not meant for mere children. Simplicity has, indeed, been aimed at in their style and arrangement, in order to adapt them to a class of juvenile readers, whose minds have already enjoyed some previous training and discipline. They are designed to stimulate thought, as well as impart information. The object of their publication is not only to promote present improvement, but also to foster in the youthful spirit a hallowed taste for farther study in the best of all the sciences. As conducive in some measure to the same

desirable end, brief quotations of sanctified genius, from a few authors not usually familiar to the young, have been occasionally introduced.

And, in fine, it is humbly hoped, and earnestly implored, that the Divine Blessing may accompany these small contributions to the precious cause of early knowledge and piety. They are now sent abroad in the spirit of that ancient and appropriate prayer—"Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children; and let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it."

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