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TO THE READER.

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A row prefatory words on the object of this little treatise, and on the spirit and method in which it is meant to be perused, may, it is hoped, enable the Reader to profit more by it than he otherwise would do, while at the same time it may serve to avert certain criticisms, to which the writer cannot but feel that, as a piece of religious literature, his work is justly exposed.

My "Thoughts on Personal Religion" have met with some success (more, I imagine, because so many are now-a-days eraving for help and guidance in the inatter of personal religion, than on account of any merit or originality in the "Thoughts"); and I have received assurances from trustworthy quarters that the book has been made useful (under God's blessing) to many. Between such persons and myself I feel that a sort of bond has been established, to the obligations of which I desire to be faithful. Our paths in life may