

he, "but I shall not obey it; if I had not [181] given up my old habits, I would certainly lower the pride of that impudent man; but since one must not be a halfway Christian, I will say no word to him, I will do him no harm. I know well that they say I have no sense, because I have embraced the faith; they accuse me of causing their death since I have begged them to be instructed. Their calumnies would have troubled me, formerly; but, as I have given my word to God, I intend to do all that is commanded me. I will not cast at them any reproach, which would be very easy for me to do,—not only because their life is no better than ours, but because I have never received any of their presents, although we have several times made presents to them." Grace has strange effects; it is also true that the God who gives it is an all-powerful God.