

Judge yourselves therefore, examine yourselves closely and see how you are affected towards the work, and act honestly as in the sight of God, that if your feelings are such, that you cannot promote the welfare of the natives, you may not injure the cause - I shall leave what I have now said to your serious consideration, It is a matter of infinite importance to yourself & to the Mission, & probably to thousands yet unborn, in what way you determine to act - May the Lord direct you in the right way, that whatever your determination may be, you may never have cause to repent either in time or eternity - This is the sincere prayer of

Dear Sirs

Your Friend
and Believer
Saml. Merrill