

wishes & neglected their instructions?

But how much more ungratefully have you treated that gracious God, who gave His Son to die for your sins? who gave the Scriptures to make you wise unto salvation, through faith in Christ Jesus? — who gave you kind English friends, to explain to you those Scriptures, and to teach you to read them; to pray to God for you; & to bear with you when you would not be persuaded nor intreated?

But we hope, Dear Teterree, that what we have to mourn over in you, was the effect of bad company and bad advice; and that when we hear of you again, we shall learn that you had been sorry for your past conduct, and were seeking God with your whole heart.

Regard Mr. Butler, Mr. Kendall, and Mr. Hall as your best friends: they love your soul, and will labour to do you good. Pray to God for His teaching, and grace, and blessing; that you may know and love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ: so your own soul will be saved, and you may become the means of saving the souls of many of your Countrymen. Strive to bring them to hear the Missionaries speak about Jesus Christ and the way of salvation. Persuade them to leave off war, and to live in peace — to sow wheat and to rear cattle — to make ropes, shoes, axes, saws, spades, & all those things that will make New Zealandmen like Englishmen. So you will become a blessing to your Country.

You ask us to pray for you & your country poor people. By the grace of God, we will; & hope, through that grace, that your heart will be brought to love and obey our Lord Jesus Christ, & that your future life may be according to His Gospel, & bring glory to His Name.

Earnestly praying that these and all blessings may be graciously vouchsafed unto you through the merits of our Saviour,

We are, Dear Teterree,

Ever your affectionate Friends,

(Signed) Josiah Pratt

Edw^d Bickersteth

All your friends, Mr^s Pratt, and Mr^s Bickersteth and others, desire to be kindly remembered to you.