

backbiting when this is the case among men professing Godliness it is impossible that they should exercise brotherly love that they should be kindly affectionate one towards another that they should bear one another's burdens that they should watch over one another's souls with a godly jealousy that they should pray one for another and admonish one another in Psalms and Hymns and spiritual songs and that they should keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace In short none of these heavenly graces such as love joy peace &c which stand so much value on the Christian Character can adorn your Characters while under the influence of evil tempers or dispositions for want of Christian love and heavenly meekness you become unhappy in your own minds and out of temper with yourselves and one another and bite and devour one another and expose the whole Body of the Church to the reproaches of the heathen amongst whom you dwell instead of countering them like the primitive Christians to say "see how these Christians love" I am aware that by living ^{amongst} the New Zealanders you become more or less familiar with