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IS THERE AN ALTAR IN EVERY METHODIST IOUSE!

 nnd of feeling?" But in sadiess he adds, " Oh, bow many interesting housc
holds are to be found, where all the mere social virtues are entivated wit assidsait, where the domestic charties all flourish, and public excellence is
cherisled, tut which, on account of the want of oitat godliness, are still losing te highest end of their union, are carrying on no preparatory course or
education for the gkies, and are destined to te swept away writh the wreck of education for the gkies, and are desined to be swept away with the wreck of
the nations ilat know not God," We ask, Are hhere not too many fruites,
where vital godiness is not wanting in some members, nor evcu in the beads,
 thoonss fanities, where vital godiness is possesed by individuals, wher
there is no such recogniition 7 We address ourselves directly and faithfully
 may it not be in vain!
Theres is the anthority of reason. Whatever of the gifis of the God o Proridence the regpective teembers of a houschoid may dily receive, ther
are not a few which they could not bave receivel onty sa a louselcoll. Tho
there should be houscobold thinksgivings and priso. whatever gina may needed by the meinbers of a housecobid respectively, there are many naeded
by them in their relative and associated capacity, "I Ilis capacity, therefore, ought they to ackstowledge their dependance npoin God, and imploro his
blessing. In soane instances in the world families have becin one in sin, and There is the authority of Mr. Wesley, whicl it We refer the reader to lis Sermon on "Family Religion." Ater preachin it in London, he kays in his journal, "I strongly inculcated lamily religion,
the grand desideratum among the Methodists. Many were astaaned before God, and an tength add
wo will serve the Lord."
There is the authority of our Disciphine". The fourteenth section of it, on
"Visiting froun II vuse to Houss," "ec. is grounded partly on ile conviction of
 "General Rules," it is said, "I is expected of all who desirs 10 continue in
ibese societice that they should continuc to evidence their desire of salvaion, by attending to all the ordinances of God. Snch are ... famity and privat
prayer." Againt among the "Directionsis given to to teand Society" is his
"Conis. use private prnyer every day; and family prayer, if you are the head of
famils." It is evident from these extracts, that no member of our cluurcl,

 Lord. and ben David had brought the ark from Kiriath-jearim to Zion, win On unother occasion, he says, " 1 will walk within way house with a periect
heart." At lie dedication of the house of David, lie had his psalm and song, and this ackiowledgment: "Liord, by thy favouir thot host inade my
mountain to stand strong." The Cliristian parent is to train up his childre words which 1 cormand theo this day, thatll bo in thino heantt a ad then shad teach them diligenty unio thy children, and shalt talk of them when thon sit
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 earnestuess for, those lor whom we pray are inorcased in proportion ns we
eansider their condition respectively. The fact is, there is little done in
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manyy instances of the utility of this kied of iatercission might be bronght


 broller, who is now 67 years of age, and who has finisted the 43 rd of b


 for each of his appointments, pansing in lis prayer at each, and kupplicating God in reference to their peeculiar wants: This daily exercise made sich
impression on his nind, that, though more than forty years have elapsed, he recolects clearly the name and order of each appointment in such a circum-
stantial manner as would astonish a person unacquaisted with the matter. But as 10 the additional explanation on this, it is the following: Bistop Asbury
had been accustoned at firs to name over ail the preachers in the Methodis Chureh in his private prayers. When bese became too numerous to pa
zicularize, he went over in a pretty good plan in remembering the appointments and other matiers
the Chrreh, 10 pray especially refpecting all these, or in other words, io vis them daily on our $h$ nnecs voilh our cyes shit.... Leaders might visit their mem learn to make their peculiar charges the subjecta of especial and daily pryyer THE EDITOR'S DESK

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