

MEDITATION 38

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Some children are hardly weaned although the teat be rub'd with wormwood
or mustard, they will either wipe it off, or else suck down sweet and bitter
together so is it with some Christians, let god imbitter all the sweets of this life,
that so they might feed upon more substantiall food, yet they are so childishly
sottish that they are still huging and sucking these empty brests, that god is
forced to hedg up their way with thornes or lay affliction on their loynes that
so they might shake hands with the world before it bid them farwell