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Meditation I preached afterwards in English, and in the Afternoon in Portuguese to a very numerous Congregation, before which I christen'd a Child. God grant that I and those that heard me this Day may thus number our Days and apply our Hearts unto Wisdom.

Janry 2. Friday. Preached to the Germans, who desired to receive the Sacrament next Sunday a preparatory Sermon on 1 Cor: 11, 28. 1. Of Self-Examination, whether we are desirous to receive the Sacrament 1. in Obedience to a particular Command of Christ 2. for the purpose of renewing our baptismal Vow in a most solemn manner 3. to celebrate the Memorial of his Redemption by his Sufferings and Death, & to give actual Proof of our Faith in his Passion and Death. 4. to confess Christ before Men. 5. to confirm our Faith, Love and Fidelity in a peculiar manner, and in a higher Degree, than can be effected by other spiritual Exercises. 6. to strengthen our Hope of our Resurrection to eternal Life ~~II~~ of Confession "before God according to Dan: 9, 4-19. Ezra 9, 5-15. Neh: 9, to David, Publican Zacchaeus, &c 2. Before Men, if there are such Cases as require it. 3. Before the Minister, that he may be assured of our worthy Condition, after which I put the usual Questions to them which they answer with Yes. In the Afternoon I had a catechetical Lecture in my House, after which I distributed among the Poor the usual monthly Alms.

Janry 3. Buried one of our poor Widows, which I had visited in her Sickness several times.

Janry 4. Sunday. After the German divine Service I administered the Sacrament

Sacrament to all the Germans that are in Nagapatnam, excepting an old Gentleman, who found himself too weak to come to Church, and therefore received it on

Janry 5. Monday in his own House. In the Afternoon I began my Portuguese Lectures preparatory to the Sacrament.

Janry 8. Thursday. Preached as usual in the Malabar Church on Matth: 2, 1. ¹ Ica of the Faith, Trial, Comfort Danger, & Deliverance of the wise Men. Their Faith began at the Appearance of the miraculous Star, it was raised by the Word of Prophecy, it was confirmed by the re-appearance of the Star, and its pointing out a place where the Child Jesus was. Thus were the Apostles and other primitive Christians roused by Miracles, raised by the Word, confirmed in their Faith by Experience, by Trials and Comforts, by Dangers and Deliverances. This Afternoon being the last catechetical Lecture preparatory to the Sacrament, I spoke ² to the Persons that will be admitted for the first time ¹ in particular.

Janry 10. Saturday. The whole before Noon was employed in receiving Visits from People, who desired to receive the holy Sacrament. ~~as~~ Most of my time in this Week has been employed in receiving Visits of this kind or visiting those that merely sent their Names. In the Evening we had Portuguese divine Service in the great Church, at which I publicly examined the 22 young People that desired to be admitted to the Sacrament and preached a preparatory Sermon to a great Croud of People, who were all much pleased, moved and edified.