

"Being justified freely by His grace." (Eph. ii. 8 ; Rom. iii. 24). Grace is simply unmerited favor from God. We deserved "the lake of fire." But God has shown us favor in opening to us the door of salvation.

*Salvation is by faith.* "By grace ye are saved, through faith." "To him that worketh not, but believeth." "Being justified by faith." (Eph. ii, 8 ; Rom. iv, 5 ; v, 1). Faith is but the hand that receives the gift which has been freely offered. It is the heart's reception of a divine testimony. God testifies of Christ as a Saviour, and of the saving efficacy of His blood, and faith is the reception of this testimony. Those who receive this testimony receive salvation.

*Salvation is by blood*, the shed blood of Jesus Christ, "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation, through faith in His blood" (Rom. iii, 25). That blood alone could meet God's requirements against sin. No work of the sinner could do this, nor any offering he could bring. "The cattle on a thousand hills," would not suffice. The blood of Jesus Christ alone could make atonement. We have redemption through His blood" (Eph. i, 7). There is no other way.

Salvation, then, is by *grace*, by *faith* and by *blood* ; by grace as the unmerited favor of God ; by faith as the means of its reception ; and by the blood of Jesus Christ as the meritorious ground on which God bestows it.

"ALL WHO BELIEVE ARE JUSTIFIED" (Acts xiii, 39).

Reader, have you believed ? or are you still making God a liar ? Oh ! receive His testimony. Believe, and be saved. Believe *now*, and salvation is yours.