

the Body. But this is hidden from the Men of the World, they don't know what it is, nor what it means, nor how it is, or can be. And hence they seek not after this Wisdom, which is more precious than Rubies, and all the Things that can be desired art not to be compared unto her. She shall give to thine Head an Ornament of grace, a Crown of Glory shall she deliver to thee.

Grace is, in Scripture compar'd to a *Robe*. And all *real Christians* are clothed with the Garments of Salvation, and covered with the Robe of Righteousness: with the Righteousness both of Justification and Sanctification.

By the Righteousness of Christ they are recommended to God's Favour, and by the Sanctification of the Spirit have God's Image renewed upon them.

The Church triumphs in this inestimable Blessing. Isa 16. 10. I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my Soul shall be joyful in my God, for he hath clothed me with the Garments of Salvation; he hath covered me with the Robe of Righteousness. The Righteousness of Christ like a Robe is upon Believers, but not *in* them: 'Tis theirs by Imputation; and it covers their Persons, and their Nakedness, their naked Souls and all their Sins, so as not to be seen with the Eye of avenging Justice. To cloth and cover with it is God's Act of Imputation, and Christ's Application of it by his Spirit.

When God pardoneth Sin he takes away our *filthy Garments*, and clothes us with Change of Raiment. Zech. 3. 4. He said to Joshua (who represented the Church) Behold, I have caused thine Iniquity to pass from thee, and I will cloth thee with *Change of Raiment*; that is, the Righteousness of Christ, called the *Raiment of Needle-work, the Raiment of wrought*