

Many things will occupy your mind when sickness lays hold of you; when the poor body is enfeebled and broken by grief, the mind is absorbed, and what strength remains for thought? Besides, death may come upon you suddenly, without giving you a moment for reflection. How many instances of sudden death do we not see! Lend your ear to the word which God would have you hear: "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." He still waits, waits to bless you. Yes, although you have long ignored His love and despised His grace, He still addresses to you once more this message: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

The Judge who pleads with you, and who has perfect right to condemn you without appeal, is the one who wishes to acquit you, by cleansing you perfectly from all your sins; for Jesus has submitted to the judgment of the cross, which you have deserved. The word of God remains in its immovable certainty. "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses from all sin."

Come then while you are still in health and while your strength remains. The one who suggests the thought of delay is the enemy of your soul; He is a liar from the beginning. You will never find a more favourable moment than the pre-

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