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PEACE OF CONSCIENCE.

There are two things in connection with the reception and enjoyment of the blessings of Salvation, respecting which all Christians have some experience. These things are (1) that all the blessings of Salvation are of God's providing and conferring; and (2) that the enjoyment of these blessings depends much on the way in which we act in respect to these blessings. The greater the attainments of the Christian in the divine life, the more thorough are his convictions that all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself: all the agencies and means of Salvation are from him. The Saviour is the Son of God, "the Sent of the Father," "the Lamb of God"—"the unspeakable gift of God." By his Holy Spirit, through the truth of God, known and believed, all the feelings and desires of the renewed soul exist and grow. But these dispositions of the renewed soul are much modified by the manner in which we act toward God's word and Spirit.—By cherishing improper dispositions, by resisting or opposing the truth—or even by being indifferent to it—by permitting wrong principles to gain any authority, we injure our spiritual well-being, even though we may not endanger our connection with God.

Of these blessings of Salvation, Peace of Conscience is peculiarly important. It is the result of the enjoyment of many other spiritual privileges. In proportion as the blessings of Salvation, from which peace