

Christ has made a full expiation. Sin does not exist as between God and us. When *He* looks on the blood of Christ, He cannot see sin in the believer, because, when Christ shed that blood He put it away. Thus we get liberty and power, too, because submitting thus to the righteousness of God ; having Christ for our righteousness, we are sealed with the Spirit, which gives us power and shews us Christ, so that we get strength and joy, and are able to glorify Him.

How is it, then, with you ? Are you still a worse prisoner than those you are watching over, or freed by the redemption that is in Christ ? Have you been brought to see that, if you refuse life through His name, you must perish ? Do you seek that you should know Him, or are you joining with His enemies—hail-fellow-well met with the world, that, to its judgment and ruin, crucified Him ? If we have His Spirit, we know that we are in Him, and all is peace, and joy, too, because we know the Son of God, and abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. I shall be glad to hear from you. May the blessed Lord, in His grace, direct your eye fixedly on Christ.

Every truly yours in Christ,

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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—Jno. iii. 16.