

gent Bible students, and who has reached their hearts through the understanding. As in England all roads come from and lead back to London, so all doctrines spring from Christ and lead back to Him again. The marrow of the Gospel centres in the person and work of Jesus Christ. Its glory and grace spring from the fact that our Saviour is the only begotten Son of God and that as our substitute He bore our sins on His own body on the tree, and nothing can be more practical than to point out how the atonement bears on man's deliverance, and to show that all who believe in Him will be forgiven, renewed and saved everlastingly, and all in harmony with God's righteous justice. The grand aim of the pulpit is not merely to get men to believe certain truths, but to be saved by the belief of them. And what a lofty aim—the salvation of men from sin and the building up of Christian character! But, as it is Christ who alone saves us, the pulpit must constantly point to Him as the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world. We must hold up the Saviour and secure personal loyalty to Him, and make His authority, His love and atoning death plain, that the sacred claims of His resurrection, life and glory may reach men and cause the abundance of grace to go where the abundance of sin has gone before it. Christ is the central life and power of revelation, and all doctrines have their root in the *Cross*. This offering up of the Son of God was not a thing that was done in a corner. Its range was as wide as the universe of Jehovah. The conflict on the cross decided a question of universal importance: the moral government of God, a question that related to more than mere human affairs, and that stretches far beyond the ephemeral transactions of time.

What a revelation Christ's death gives us of God's love. "Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!" and what an outflow of Christ's infinite compassion to man! He receives in His own person the wrath of God due to us for sin! He had no love for suffering, but His love for suffering man was infinite, and he appears as his representative and in his place. His love sustained Him all through that fiery trial while redeeming His people and magnifying the law. In all our preaching we must lift up the Son of Man and call the wounded and dying to look to Him and be saved. These are the great truths needing enforcement, and