

constraint but choice ; (4) being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, of Satan, and of their own sinful passions, and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, (5) without defence, or excuse. (6)

Places in the Bible where taught.

(1) Gen. i. 27. God created man in his own image. Gen. i. 31. And God saw every thing that he had made, and behold, it was very good. Ec. vii. 29. Acts xvii. 20. Gen. ii. 16.

(2) Gen. iii. 6—24. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise ; she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat ; and gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat.—Therefore the Lord God—drove out the man ; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden, Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life. Rom. v. 12.

(3) Rom. v. 19. By one man's disobedience many were made sinners, John iii. 6. Ps. li. 5. Rom. v. 15—19 ; viii. 7.

(4) Isa. liii. 6. We have turned, every one to his own way. Gen. vi. 12. Rom. iii. 9—18.

(5) Eph. ii. 1—3. Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lust of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind ; and were by nature the children of wrath even as others. Rom. i. 18. For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness. Rom. i. 32. Gal. iii. 10. Mat. xxv. 41. Rev. xx. 15.

(6) Ez. xviii. 19. 20. Yet say ye, Why ? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father ?—The soul that sinneth it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son : the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. Rom. i. 20. So that they are without excuse. Rom. iii. 19. That every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Gal. iii. 22.

IV. OF THE WAY OF SALVATION.

That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace ; (1) through the Mediatorial Offices of the Son of God, (2) who took upon Him our nature yet without sin ; (3) honored the law by His personal obedience, (4) and made atonement for our sins by His death ; (5) being risen from the dead He is now enthroned in heaven ; (6) and uniting in His wonderful person the tenderest