

God was presented in goodness, it only drew out his hatred. The power was present in Christ to meet all the effects of sin by His word. The manifestation of it drew out the enmity of man's heart against Him, and they crucified Him. There you get all that man is brought out in the presence of God. He had broken the law before, and now God had come in in perfect goodness and power (power that could remove all their distresses); but it was God's power, and they would not have it, they crucified Him. On the other hand, we see there all the power of Satan; therefore He says, "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out" (John xii. 31). They were all led by him against Christ. "This is your hour, and the power of darkness" (Luke xxii. 53). He had overcome him in the temptation in the wilderness. It is said in Luke iv. 13, "he departed from Him for a season." Now He says, "The prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in Me" (John xiv. 30). He who had power over the earth (for Satan was really the prince of this world) had come back, and succeeded in moving up the hatred of man's heart against Him.

But now see the absolute perfectness of the Second Man: "But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave Me commandment, even so I do" (John xiv. 31). I get in man (more than man) perfect love to the Father, and perfect obedience; and when He had the dreadful cup to drink (mark the absolute need

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