

of his own history, and exhortations to unity and peace, closes his communications to this large and eminent congregation.

GALATIANS.

The design of this letter is pretty similar to that of the epistle to the Romans; but directed more to a certain class of Judaizers, who aimed at bringing the congregations in Galatia under the law. It is not so comprehensive as the letter to the Romans; but much fuller on one or two topics engrossed in that epistle. Having been the founder of these congregations in Galatia, he adopts a style quite different from that used in the epistle to the Romans, and speaks more in the style of a teacher to his own pupils. The gifts which the Holy Spirit conferred by his hands, the covenant with Abraham, the law at Sinai, the promise of Canaan, are the principal topics from which the Apostle Paul argues in this letter.

[FOR THE CHRISTIAN.]

BROTHER EDITOR—In perusing the number for last month, I find a person by the name of "Condono" passing an unjust remark, viz. that the sinner could not be justified by faith alone. Surely Mr. "Condono" will not deny, but that all things are possible with God. If he was to look over the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles of the New Testament, he will find a great number of scriptures testifying that there are men in the holy book of God that have been justified by faith alone in Christ Jesus. For instance, that good apostle St. Paul, who when he was going to Damascus for the express purpose of persecuting the Church of Christ, when a light shining from heaven round about him, and falling to the earth, hearing a voice but seeing no man, what was his reply, "Who art thou, Lord! Lord, what wilt thou have me to do!" Here was faith alone. Notice Romans i. 17, "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith, to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith;" also chap. iii. 28, "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith, without the deeds of law." In 4th chap. Abraham was justified by faith; again, in chap. v. 1, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Gall. ii. 16, "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified." Again, in Ephesians ii. 8, 9, "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God. Not of works, lest any man should boast." Numerous other portions of Holy Writ might be found, to prove that in all ages that are past the sinner has been, is, and will be justified by faith ALONE in Christ Jesus. We all know that the blessed Lord in the days of his flesh employed various means in converting the poor sinner. For instance, the thief on the cross; who before, through all probability, never received the means of grace, when he said "Lord, remember me when thou comest in thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, verily I say unto thee, this day shalt thou be with in paradise." So you perceive a man that was sanctioned for execution,