

“with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.” If we do wrong He, being holy, causes us to realize our failure, and confess it to Him. This is brought about through our Advocate, and the application of the Word by the Holy Spirit to our conscience. It is the Father’s governmental dealings with His children for their present enjoyment while on their way to their abode in the Father’s house. See John xiii and xiv. His governmental dealings are the proof of His love and faithfulness to His children, and the Son’s perfect service through the Spirit and the Word, and give the lie to Satan’s false teaching that a child of God may after all be lost! We are not to listen to his false teachers (see 2 Cor. xi, 14, 15). He always lied, remember the garden of Eden; and he always will till the end, for he is the father of lies (John viii, 44). The Father deals with us in love because He loves us, and is pledged to keep us for His Son’s sake and for His glory, and the Son chastens us His members “that we should not be condemned with the world” 1 Cor. xi, 31, 32).

The simple conclusion is, if we believe the gospel that Christ died for our sins, was buried and was raised again the third day, according to scripture which says so, then our sins are gone forever, for He died for them, and rose again without them, a proof that they were put away, blotted out by His precious blood, and are to be found no more.

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Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.