children of Israel? Where were their sins? God directs Moses that they should take of the blood of the slain lamb and strike it on the two side posts, and on the upper doorpost of their houses. "And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt." To the mind of man it was folly, but the simplicity of faith honors the word of God and acts upon it. The destroying angel of Jehovah passed through the land, and if there had been Israelites ever so honest, but without the blood on their doorposts, he must enter and slay. For God was under this sign judging sin, and sin levels all distinctions; and where the blood was not, there sin was in all its hatefulness to a holy God, sin unatoned for and unjudged.

So now it is Christ and salvation, or no Christ and no salvation. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." There is the utmost certainty for those within the blood-sprinkled doors. It is the Lord who executes the judgment by His angel. It is impossible for Him to be deceived and impossible for man to escape; but He says, "when I see the blood I will pass over you." There need not be a doubt, whatever the judgment.

God, then, sees the blood: on that we rest to escape judgment, not upon our own view either of

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