

didst strive more to save me than thou didst to save those in hell, else thou wouldest have been partial and a respecter of persons, for which I could not love thee. Besides I could have baffled all thy operations and caused them to issue in nothing. Thou didst not determine my will to choose happiness; for thou only madest me the offer by setting life and death before me in common with others, and I determined my own will and choice. Therefore my salvation is not the result of invincible grace, but the fruit of my own will and choice, good works and improvements. These, these have put the happy difference between me and others. And I cannot praise thee for what thou hast not done." Thus he would claim a great share of the glory of his salvation.

The sinner saved on the Calvinistic plan would thus address Deity when seated on a throne of glory: "O most holy Father, when thou didst in the days of eternity view angels and men as fallen into sin, thou wast at perfect liberty to determine whether thou wouldest save any one transgressor of thy most holy and equitable law. They all stood on a par. Thou mightest have chosen fallen angels, and passed by the apostate race of men, but thou didst reprobate the fallen angels, and choose poor sinners of mankind. Thy act of choosing us could have no regard to any desert found in us. For we were viewed as lying in the corrupt mass of mankind when the decree was made concerning us, and all our excellency above others is the fruit of thy electing love. Thou wast sovereign Lord of thine own grace, and a debtor to none, consequently wast at perfect liberty to bestow it when, where and on whom thou wouldest. For no one could lay claim to it, and therefore no one is wronged if it be not bestowed on him. It was infinite goodness and mercy in thee to save us, when thou mightest have left all our apostate race to perish for ever, as thou didst the fallen angels. But O! how shall we adore thy immutable will, which is the fountain and spring of our eternal salvation! Thou infallibly willedst to give us faith and repentance, and the grace of final perseverance. And