

of the world. They see no reason why sin could not be forgotten and wiped out, without an atonement such as was demanded on the Tree. But such men forget that God had to do right by the moral order of the world. He could not meet sin in any other way. For here was the problem. He must condemn the sin and at the same time save the sinner. He must uphold the ethical order of the universe and at the same time save that man whom the ethical order condemned. To use Paul's great phrase he must "be just and the justifier" of the unjust. Surely as Chalmers said, "It was a problem fit for a God." And that foundation of peace can never change. It must be based on righteousness. "There is no peace saith my God to the wicked." You must come to some understanding with God about your sin. It is not merely a question of gaining peace. It is a question of gaining the true peace that is based on righteousness. You will wander in the wilderness of a great unrest until you reach that solid ground where the soul's content is deep and strong and abiding because it is rooted in the fact that full atonement has been made—that perfect atone-