

Scriptures, says, concerning him. The declarations of God respecting Christ, when believed, and received as faithful sayings, exhibit to the believer, such a display of God as is calculated to overwhelm him, in admiring and adoring gratitude. Beholding the glorious plan, by which sin is punished, and the sinner saved; by which God is just, justifying the ungodly who believe in Jesus; by which righteousness and peace embrace one another: This is the only display of God, which begets love to him; and the necessary consequence of this love, is obedience. If it were possible that the obedience of man, could procure the favour of God; such an infinitely valuable sacrifice as that of the only begotten Son of God, would have been unnecessary. "The declaration of divine truth is, *God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.*" "He that believeth not God, hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us," the believers, "eternal life, and this life is in his Son." "Through this man is preached unto you, the forgiveness of sins; and by him, all that believe, are justified from all things." "Beware, therefore, lest that which is written in the prophets, come upon you. Behold ye despisers, and wonder, and perish, for I work a work in your day, which ye will in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." Time is transient; gratification a bauble; eternity to each is at hand. "He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved; and he that believeth not, shall be condemned."

