receive it. Now, just as you cannot feel and know that the book is yours before you receive it, so you cannot feel and know that Christ is your Saviour before you receive Him.

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There is one way to feel that the book is yours, namely, by receiving it; so there is but

One way to feel that Christ is your Saviour,

that is, by receiving Him. To try to feel that He is your Saviour before you receive Him, is as if I offered you the book, and, instead of receiving it, you begin and continue to look in your hands and try to see and feel it there.

You would not think of doing this. So do not for another moment try to feel that Christ is your Saviour before you receive Him.

In a Western town, while thus speaking to

Lawyer R-,

he said, "I see now that I have been making this mistake for the last ten years."

I replied, "You might for the next ten years try to feel that you have this testament, but you cannot unless you receive it, so you might for the next twenty years try to feel that Jesus is your Saviour, but

You cannot before you receive Him."

He answered, "Certainly I cannot." "But you can receive Him, can you not?" "Yes, I believe I can." "Do you?" He paused for a moment,