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"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God."
"This is love, that we walk after his commandments."

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CONVERSATIONS ON THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

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ON THE WAY IN WHICH A SINNER CAN BE SAVED FROM HIS SINS AND ENTER INTO THE PRIVILEGES OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

A. As various denominations proclaim so many different ways for a sinner to obtain pardon through the blood of Christ, I wish to devote a careful attention to this important subject. It appears to me that on this point, above all others, men should agree, but unfortunately for our race, this is *the* point on which the professors of christianity differ.

B. The different views on this important point are great stumbling blocks to the unconverted: still we may learn, even from this, some valuable lessons. It shows us that our nature is fallen; ever since our first parents became a prey to error, we, their unhappy offspring, are liable to the same. We also see the need of some one better than ourselves to guide us, hence the value of the statute book of the king immortal, in which this subject is made as plain as words could speak, and from which shines a light around our path to guide us through this wilderness of moral darkness to the realms of everlasting light.

A. This is very true, but when we see those who profess to be guided by that book take such different courses, and manifest towards each other such unhallowed feelings, it tends to make the impression that there is no reality in religion.

B. It doubtless makes that impression on the minds of some, but it is those who first tamper with the truth of God. It oftener furnishes cavils for those who seek them, than stumbling-blocks for the honest inquirer after truth. The God of this world blinds the minds of those