

love—all was verified on the cross as they are in Himself, and revealed only there ; and that with regard to sin.

And God can now act freely, according to that which He is to Himself, without any one attribute hiding, or obscuring, or contradicting another. Truth condemned man to death, justice for ever condemned the sinner, majesty demanded the execution of the sentence. Where, then, was love? If love, as man would conceive it, were to pass over all, where would be His majesty and His justice? and moreover, that could not be ; nor would it really then be love, but indifference to evil. By means of the cross, He is just, and He justifies in grace ; He is love, and in that love He bestows His righteousness on man. The righteousness of God takes the place of man's sin to the believer. The righteousness, as well as the sin of man vanishes before the bright light of grace, and does not becloud the sovereign glory of a grace like this towards man who was really alienated from God.

“God of all grace ! I gladly own,
What in His death Thy Christ has done :
What He is there upon Thy throne,
What Christ is *now*, and Christ alone,
Is all my joyful plea ;
He's all *my* trust ! He's all *my* boast !
For, since He died to save the *lost*,
I'm sure He died for *me*.”