

There is no such expression to be found in the Scriptures ; nor is the doctrine, in reality, taught by our Church. Men are not, indeed, justified before God in any, even in the least, degree, on account of their own merits or deserving ; for merit and righteousness belong to the Lord Jesus Christ alone. But we are justified by faith as a *living* principle ; and hence the Prophet declares, *the just shall live by his faith* ; and the Apostle says, *the life that I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me*. But saving faith is never *alone* ; St. James remarks, *even so faith if it hath not works is dead, being ALONE*. The doctrine of "faith alone" resolves itself into the doctrine of *vibrations on the air* ; and the mere profession of the doctrine is no more an evidence of being "justified" than is the sound of brass or the tinkling of a cymbal. Charity or love is the end or design of the Christian life ; and it is, therefore, the only test at the day of judgment : inasmuch as ye *have* done these things, and inasmuch as ye have done them *not*. *The end of the commandment is charity, out of a pure heart and a good conscience, and faith unfeigned.*

Why, if the life itself is not considered the important part of the Christian character, no regard will be paid to the life except from *other* motives. Such a man may be "justified," as he terms it, by faith *alone* ; and yet live without Christian charity. He may live in enmity and hatred against those who resist his evil intentions ; in revenge, cunning, and deceit ; and when he is made to feel that he does so, he falls back upon *tradition* (faith *alone*) as the very truth itself. This he elevates above the Bible, and thus falsifies the word of God. The reasons for doing so, as expressed in my letter on the 18th page of Dr. Gray's Pamphlet, are from "selfish and malignant passions ;" and which expressions appear to have given great offence. Truth is what we want, and not fallacy ; a fallacy is nothing, and can lead to nothing ; and the "Solifidian" system, when brought to the test of truth, is a fallacy, and nothing else.

It is amazing that the general principles expressed in my "Statement," should have met with such violent opposition from Dr. Gray ; and it is still more so, that he should have charged upon me views and sentiments not contained in the Statement at all. These he professes to have gathered from others, some of whom were not the most *impartial* witnesses,