

moment we get into human thoughts and reasonings about circumstances, we get troubled. Not only has peace been made for us by the atonement, but it rests upon the power of Him who raised up Jesus again from the dead ; and therefore we know Him as the "God of peace."

The blessing of the saint does not depend upon the old covenant to which man was a party, and which might therefore fail ; but upon that God who, through all the trouble and sea and the power of Satan, "brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus" and thus secured "eternal redemption." (Heb. ix. 12.)

All that God Himself had pronounced as to judgment against sin, and all the wicked power of Satan, rested on Jesus on the cross ; and God Himself has raised Him from the dead. Here then we have full comfort and confidence of soul. "Nothing can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord," argues faith, (see Rom. viii. 31-39), for, when all our sins had been laid upon Jesus, God stepped in, in mighty power, and "brought again from the dead that Great Shepherd of the Sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant." The blood was as much the proof and witness of the love of God to the sinner as it was of the justice and majesty of God against sin. This covenant is founded on the truth and holiness of the eternal God having been fully met and answered in the cross of the Lord Jesus. His precious blood has met every claim of God. If God be not