

and children, because *He is love*, He gave His Son and His blessed, holy Son willingly *gave Himself*, to bear the sins of poor lost guilty sinners. And on the cross, He (Jesus) suffered for sins, the just one, for us unjust ones, to bring us to God. And was made to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him. Well then, to trust in the Lord Jesus as your Saviour is to believe in what God gave His Son up to do on the cross for sinners; to believe in what He did there; how He met God as a judge for you there; and has suffered for what you deserve to suffer for; has died the death you were under the sentence of; and that now all is over and done. As the Saviour said Himself after He had drunk the bitter cup for us, "*It is finished.*" To believe that God wants nothing more, and has raised Him again from the dead as the proof of this, and therefore you need nothing more, and can rest in what the Lord Jesus the Son of God has done for you. Exodus xii illustrates this, where we see judgement coming on Egypt. Death was to come upon all the first-born of Egypt, and Israelites as well as Egyptians deserved it alike. But God Himself provided a way of escape for Israel. They were to take a spotless lamb from the flock, and kill it and to put the blood of the slain lamb on the door-posts of their houses, outside, and to go inside and feed on the lamb, that had died for them, and God's word to them was, "*When I see the blood, I will pass over you.*" They did as God told them and He did as He promised. They trusted to the blood of the lamb that