

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED FROM SIN.

To a sin burdened soul and to one who is saved there are no sweeter words than Saviour and salvation. We cannot know in this life the depth of meaning in that precious word Saved. It means deliverance from the guilt, the power, the defilement of sin. But it means far more than this. It means to be in Christ, to be accepted in the beloved, to have a sure title to a share in His eternal glory. But in this paper we speak of salvation from sin. Very few believers know of the fullness and completeness of this as it is set forth in the Word of God.

Turning to Heb. 6 and 10 we find the finished work of Christ contrasted with the sacrifices under the law. The great point made is that those sacrifices had to be often repeated and yet could never take away sin, while the offering of Christ was once for all, and His offering saves fully and completely from all sin (Heb. 9: 24-26).

These precious words tell us what Christ has done for those who believe in Him. "He hath appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." Are you, reader, a believer in the Lord Jesus? If so, then your sins are put away by the sacrifice of Christ. How long are they put away? for a few days months, or years? In Heb. 9: 11, 12 we read that Christ has obtained eternal redemption for us, and in 10: 14 that "by one offering He hath perfected forever them that are sanctified."

In verse 17 we read "Their, sins

and their iniquities will I remember no more." Reader, is not that an everlasting salvation? It is a salvation worthy of the Son of God, not a salvation which you receive to-day and lose to-morrow, but one that is constant and eternal.

So we read in Heb. 10 1, 2, "For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins." This is a very important passage. Under the law the worshippers were not once purged, hence they had conscience of sins. By the one offering of Christ believers are now purged. Heb. 1: 3 says, "When He had by Himself purged our sins He sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." Christ put away eternally the sins of every believer so that the well instructed child of God has no more conscience of sins. That means that there is no sin on the conscience. He has taken our sins and put them away so completely and thoroughly and effectually that they can never come back to trouble us in any way, if we know his truth.

How is this? God is satisfied. We had sinned against Him, and He has laid the iniquity of us all upon Christ. If God is satisfied about our sins and has done with them forever can we be troubled any more about them? "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God