

THE CANADIAN DAY-STAR.

“ I am the light of the world.”

“ Preach the Gospel to every creature.”—JESUS.

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NON-CONDEMNATION BY CHRIST.

“ Who is he that condemneth ? It is Christ that died.” Rom. viii. 34.

These words are spoken of believers in Christ. Unless a person believe in Jesus he has neither part nor lot in the all-important matter of salvation. By unbelief a person cuts himself off from the enjoyment of saving blessings. Faith is not indeed the ground of salvation. No one is saved *for* faith. Christ himself, Christ as having died, risen again, ascended into, and as interceding in heaven is the sole and sure ground on which salvation depends. Yet there must be faith in him that it may be enjoyed. The arm severed from the body must die. The branch severed from the tree must wither. So a soul out of Christ by unbelief is lifeless, and can do nothing in the way of bringing forth fruit unto God. There is no decree to prevent any one from believing in Christ. All to whom the blessed Gospel comes are invited, commanded, entreated, besought, implored, to believe it and be at peace with God. But there is a decree to the effect that the unbeliever shall perish. That you, dear reader, may be one to whom condemnation can never come, you must be a believer in Christ and continue a believer in Christ.

From the context we learn who God's elect are. Many are really puzzled in endeavouring to find out if they are among the elect. Their judgment as to this matter is determined by internal