

be done, or none could be saved, the work of atonement on the cross, now risen from the dead, and seated high in heavenly glory, still waits to save sinners, still fulfils His own precious words, that were so blessed to this poor heathen. "*Him that cometh to Me, I will in no wise cast out.*"

ROMANS VII.

"O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"

I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus."

The moment he comes to the last point to which the Spirit has pressed him—the end of himself (v. 24)—the truth flashes upon him that he is delivered through the death of Christ, having died with Him who is risen, and become as such the object of faith. He thanks God through Jesus Christ our Lord. The work was done at the cross, but the Spirit's work in the soul was necessary before he could lay hold of the truth of the first five verses of the chapter, rather the first six verses. He is delivered, and in a new state in Christ risen. What a discovery, a free man in a moment! but he had to be brought to the sense of his own weakness, and learn that there is no hope in himself nor the first man; but in the new and risen One.