

The Work of Christ

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What do we possess who have believed on Him, as our Saviour, and our Substitute? Many Scriptures might be read in answer to this question. We cannot do so, but shall mention briefly a few things which all believers share on account of the finished work of Christ on the cross.

WE HAVE PERFECT JUSTIFICATION

All our sins are forever put away, because they were borne and paid for by His death on the cross. ... All has been righteously and forever settled.

“Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God’s elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us” (Romans 8:33-34a).

WE HAVE PERFECT PEACE WITH GOD

Peace has been made in the blood of the cross. It can never be unmade. We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. He is our Peace. So many Christians think that their peace with God depends on their walk and service. If they sin, they think they have lost their peace and their standing before God. ... Not our walk and service, not anything we have done, we do or shall do, is the ground of peace with God, but what God has done for us in Christ’s atoning work on the cross.

WE HAVE PERFECT ACCEPTANCE AND STANDING BEFORE GOD

We have a perfect nearness and access to God. We are made nigh by the blood. With no more conscience of sins, we can stand in God’s own presence, purged and cleansed, complete in Him, as near to God as He is.

His blessed work on the cross has made an end of the old man ... The old man was crucified with Christ. "Sin shall not have dominion over you" (Romans 6:14), is the blessed message from the cross. We have deliverance from the power of darkness and a perfect title to an eternal inheritance.

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