

"What are you going to do about it, Jack?" I inquired. "I do not know, Dr. Wilson," he answered. "That is the reason I sent for you. I want you to tell me. I cannot and must not go on without knowing the remedy."

This answer filled my heart with a greater joy, and taking my Bible I opened it to John 5:24 and gave it to him to read. He did read it slowly and carefully. I asked him to read the verse several times, and he did so. "I do not understand it," he said. "What does it mean to believe? I have always believed that the Bible was true. I have never questioned it or doubted it."

The problem he presented was one that is common among men. Everywhere we find those who are unsaved affirming that they agree with all that is in the Bible and have no doubts concerning its veracity.

"Jack," I said, "to believe the facts is good, but the blessing comes when you appropriate them. You believe that this food is wholesome, but it will not help you until you partake of it. You believe that medicine is potent and pure, but it will not relieve you until you take it. You believe that the streetcar will take you downtown, but you must get on it in order to receive the benefit. So it is in this case. The Lord Jesus came to save you. God sent Him to do it, but you must receive Him and turn your case over to Him individually. You handle the cases of only those clients who commit themselves to your care; so Christ saves only those who turn themselves, with all their sins, over to Him."

This explanation brought a new light and a new hope to Jack's heart. He could see at once the analogy between himself with his client and the Lord Jesus with the sinner.

"Do you not see, Jack, that the Lord Jesus can blot out your sins, put away your guilt, and win your case at the Judgment only when you have trusted Him to do it? He is there at God's right hand, a living Man on the throne, in His own body of flesh and bones, ready and willing and able to take every case that is committed to His trust and handle that case successfully before the Supreme Bench. If

you will trust Him just now, He will blot out the sin-stains; He will remove your guilt; He will make you His child!"

I turned to John 3:16 and let him read the story of God's gift to him. Then we read in Isaiah 44:22: "I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto Me; for I have redeemed thee." These passages were used of the Lord to reveal to Jack the ability and sufficiency of the Lord Jesus Christ to blot out the records that were against his soul.

He looked at me most earnestly, his face flushed and as he trembled with emotion, said, "I see those facts as I have never seen them before. I accept Jesus Christ, and I believe that He accepts me."

We bowed our heads in thanksgiving, and while he told the Saviour that he trusted Him, I praised the Holy Spirit for revealing the Lord Jesus to this needy lawyer.

As we separated at the close of the meal, Jack went back to his office with a load off his heart, and I went back to my work happy to have been with Christ when He saved a human soul.

How blessed it is to watch the Lord deal with men, revealing their need and then supplying a sufficient remedy. The remedy is always found in the Person of the living Lord. Let us remember that it is not the work of Christ that saves, but the Person of Christ. We trust the Lord Jesus Himself personally, and He applies His blessed and sufficient work to our souls. He makes the precious blood avail to the cleansing of our sins as we trust ourselves to Him. "He that hath the Son hath life" (1 John 5:12).