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## CHAPTER 11 Of Justification (cont'd)

- Paragraph 5, The Ongoing Fruit of Justification
  - What do we find here?
    - God does continue to forgive the sins of those who are justified. Mat 6:12; 1 Jn 1:7, 9
    - A true believer cannot lose his or her salvation. Jn 10:28
    - But God may be displeased with us. When we sin, there are consequences. And one of the consequences is that we lose the sense of God's filial pleasure toward us. Ps 89:31-22.
    - And God allows us to feel His displeasure to restore us to Himself. Ps 32:5; Ps 51; Matt 26:75
- Paragraph 6, The Justification of Old Testament Believers. Scripture Proof: Gal 3:9; Rom 4:22-24

## **CHAPTER 12 Of Adoption**

- **The Act of Adoption**. Eph 1:5; Gal 4:4-5
  - The word "vouchsafe."
  - Adoption is Christ-centered.
  - The act consists in being "taken into the number" and to "enjoy the liberties and privileges of the children of God."
- The Eight Blessings of Adoption.
- 1. God has "His name up upon them." 2 Cor 6:18; Rev 3:12
- 2. We "receive the spirit of adoption." Rom 8:15

- We have "access to the throne of grace with boldness."
  We have the right of crying "Abba, Father." Gal 4:6; Eph 2:18
  We are "pitied (Ps 103:13), protected (Pr 14:26), provided for (1 Pet 5:7), and chastened (Heb 12:6)."
  We are "never cast off." Is 54:8-9; Lam 3:31
  We are "sealed to the day of redemption." Eph 4:30
  We "inherit the promises."
- The Result of Adoption. We are "heirs of everlasting salvation." Heb 1:14; 6:1