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Paul could not get of the way of
 righteousness by the law of Moses till
 Jesus Christ stoped him saying Paul why
 persecutest thou mee then he preached
 Christ crucified for the sins of all men
 for he tasted death for all men through
 mercy & free grace. not of works least
 any man should boast so the apostles
 and those who believed through their
 ministry was commanded to go into all
 the world & preach Christ crucified for
 the sins of all men for their original and
 actual sins from their birth untill their
 death. No wonder at the true believers
 loving the 3 one god. for he tasted death
 for every man so that none need fear about
 having been missed. or lost sight of by god.
 Gods word is all true it says cursed is the
 man that trusteth in man things or guides.
 but if man believes all gods word and obeys
 it. by gods grace he shall never die god says it
 I think god has sent me here being suitable for
 my old age & infirmities. my health is very good
 please write me soon give my love to the
 family. Yours in Christ Jesus. Daniel Inuire

Jefferson Arkansas
 1882 April 1st

Dear Daniel and Emma my children

Margret told me you
 wished me to write you a letter. when
 Jesus Christ our dear Saviour asked
 water to drink of the Samaritan woman
 at the well. she said the jews have no deal-
 ings with the Samaritans. so why askest
 thou water of me. Jesus said. If thou
 hadest known who it is that asketh water
 of thee thou wouldest have asked of him living
 water and thou wouldst not thirst againe.
 but it would have been a well of water springing
 up in your heart to eternal life. For water
 is a figure of the Holy Ghost which is given
 to the true believer a love to god which no water
 can quench throughout the countless ages of
 time and throughout eternity also.

For Jesus Christ is made ^{of gods} into us wisdom
 righteousness. Sanctification. and redemption
 that is the gift of god to us poor sinners. it is
 all we need.

We have all his wisdom & righteousness. Sanctification & redemption from sin. yea Jesus Christ is gifted to us with all his fullness of grace to save us and preserve us eternally.

Yea by that gift we are made heirs of God & joint heirs with Christ. Yea we are made clean from sin and kept clean from it ever more and not by the works of the law. The law is fulfilled in us who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

First he Jesus cleanses us from sin and then keeps us from sin ever more by his own power. While he was suffering for our sins on the cross he was bruising the serpent the devil's head yea. It was then he conquered our bodies of ^{the flesh} sin and the world. If it were possible our enemies would deceive the very elect.

If I did not believe God's Standard with all my heart I could not love God and the things of God with all my heart. But thanks be to God I do believe every word in it.

Saying I can do nothing good of my self. At any time when my mind is drawn away with the things of time the fire of love to God loses its heat. and the degree of joy is lessened. Then I soon perceive my loss & suddenly I cry out Lord come to thy place in my heart again. For I feel all things else but loss compared with thee. Then I get to my good treasure again and my soul is safe and happy again.

I cannot be happy without constant fellowship with God. I like Christian Christian fellowship but there is very little of it. But thanks God he hath made the way clear for them who love to walk therein. It is the gate and narrow the way that leadeth unto life for their is that walk therein.