

I. The Prohibition of sin Commanded

- "these things I write, that ye sin not."
- A. God's purpose is for His children not to sin.
- B. The Bible is a good shield against sin.

II. The Provision for Sin Offered.

"And if any man sin,
we have an advocate"

- A. ^{constant} impossibility of sin - not sin -
the fact and presence for man's failure
- B. the gracious provision
1. Barrister - legal term -
goes along with "the righteous, just, - justification."
 2. Advocate
 3. counsel
 4. Pleader
 5. champion
 6. Intercessor
- C. what is implied in Christ's being the sinner's advocate?
1. He is at the throne of grace - not the bar of justice.
 2. the mercy of God.
 3. the sinner cannot plead his own cause
in his own Name.
 4. the advocate must present such considerations
as shall make it possible for God to be
just and honorable, and yet forgive.

III. The Propitiation for the sin of the world.

- A. Expiatory victim
- B. Reconciliation or conciliation - to turn away ^{away} wrath.
- C. Atonement

Conclusion: The position of sinners who have not retained Christ as their Advocate.
The fee he requires is your heart.

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