"If I’d have a thousand gallons of blood in my body, I could spill it all for the sake of the Lord Jesus." - Hopeful

“Ignorance is thy name, and as thy name is, so art thou.” - Christian

The Pilgrim’s Progress
Chapter 18-19 – “Hopeful’s Conversion and Ignorance’s Confession of Faith”
November 12, 2014

I. The Scenes
A. The Shining One put Christan and Hopeful back on the narrow way
B. Christan and Hopeful are on their way through the Enchanted Ground (prior was the Delectable Mountains and afterward will be Beulah land)
C. Hopeful began to get drowsy
D. Christan remembered the warning from the Shepherd to beware of the Enchanted Ground

II. Hopeful tells of his conversion
a.i.A. Continued a great while in the delights at Vanity Fair
a.i.B. He shut his eyes against the light because
   a.i.B.1. He was ____________ that it was the work of God
   a.i.B.2. He didn’t want to stop ______________
   a.i.B.3. He didn’t want to part with his old ______________
   a.i.B.4. He didn’t want to experience the frightening hours of ______________
   a.i.C. He would get rid of his thoughts but they would come back worse when
   a.i.C.1. He met a good ______________
   a.i.C.2. He heard the ______________ read
   a.i.C.3. His head ______________
   a.i.C.4. Was told that his neighbor was ______________
   a.i.C.5. He heard the bell toll for someone ______________
   a.i.C.6. He thought about his own ______________
   a.i.C.7. He heard about sudden ______________ happening to someone
   a.i.C.8. He thought about quickly coming to ______________
   a.i.D. He ______________ his life but trouble continued to come
   a.i.E. Scripture convinced him that his works won’t fix ______________ transgressions and the best he can do ______________ is mixed with sin
   a.i.F. He went to Faithful
   a.i.F.1. Faithful used ______________ to point him to the righteousness of a Man that never sinned.
   a.i.F.2. Hopeful expressed his objections against believing because he thought Jesus would be ______________ to save him.
   a.i.F.3. Faithful told him to go to Christ and see
   a.i.G. Hopeful prayed over and over and thought many times to stop praying
   a.i.H. Hopeful finally saw Jesus with the eyes of his ______________
a.i.i. His conversion had an effect on his spirit
a.i.i.1. He realized that the world is in a state of _____________

a.i.i.2. He realized that God the Father can justly _____________ the coming sinner

a.i.i.3. He was made greatly _____________ of the vileness of his former life

a.i.i.4. He was confounded with a sense of his own _____________

a.i.i.5. He now loved a _____________ life

a.i.i.6. He now longed for the _____________ and _____________ of the name of the Lord Jesus

a.i.A. Does not like the _____________ of the Pilgrim’s

a.i.B. His _____________ told him he left all for God and heaven

a.i.C. Said his heart was good because it _____________ him with hopes of heaven

a.i.D. Said his heart and life agree. Believes this because his _____________ tells him so.

a.i.E. Says he will never believe that his heart is _____________

a.i.F. Says he believes in Christ for justification

a.i.G. Thought that justification by faith in Christ alone would cause people to live _____________ _____________

a.i.H. Thought that Christian and hopeful were in _____________ ...their beliefs were “the fruit of distracted brains.”

IV. Application questions

A. What is regeneration? How would Ignorance have described regeneration?

B. What is conversion? How would Ignorance have described his conversion?

C. What is saving faith? How would Ignorance have described his faith?

D. What is repentance unto life? How did Ignorance describe his repentance?

E. What is justification?

F. What’s so important about the doctrine of justification by faith alone?

G. Is justification by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone easy?

V. Next Week: DVD #12 “The Celestial City” and read Chapter 20 “The Pilgrims Enter Celestial City”