

The Pilgrim's Progress
Chapter 18-19 – "Hopeful's Conversion and Ignorance's Confession of Faith"
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*"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

- I. The Scenes
 - A. The Shining One put Christian and Hopeful back on the narrow way
 - B. Christian 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. Christian 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

III. Ignorance's Confession of faith

- 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"

