

Concerning love and fulfilling of the Law

§3 the law ought to be begun in us
and be kept by us more and more

the law requires, spiritual movements
movements of the heart

§4 to fear and love God

{ to pray to Him
to give thanks and praise
to obey Him in affliction
to love our neighbors

§5 the Holy Spirit is received by faith
the affections of heart are worked
by the Holy Spirit

§11 the Holy Spirit works also other gifts
love, Thanksgiving, charity
patience

§9 not just civil works
(outward works)

§19 God is pleased that
we are in Christ
not because of works of the law.

§20 Love always follows Faith

§21 Faith exists in repentance

 terrors → Faith ought to grow
 afflictions and be strengthened by forgiveness

One of the effects of faith is Love

Love is a work of the Holy Spirit

Love fulfills the law, and thus is righteousness

§26 Nevertheless, Love does not justify

We are justified for Christ's sake, by faith alone.

① Faith is the cause; Love is the effect.

§31

Luke 7:47 Her sins which are many are forgiven,
for she loved much.

Luke 7:50 Your faith has saved you

② No one can keep the Law

If we could keep the law, love could justify.
No one loves God as the Law commands.

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Even in believers — sins

Believers keeping of the law is small and impure.

Not even the greatest saints can bear God's judgment.

The saints have guilt and sins

Pure mercy preserves us

§41-44

③ Christ does not cease to be Mediator after we have been renewed.

We must always recur to the promise.

④ If believer trusted in works, it would lead to despair.

§45.47 This inchoate fulfilling of the Law...

^{just begun}
rudimentary
not fully formed

§48.50 [Wicked desires in flesh are sins.]

... pleases on account of faith.

- imperfection in fulfillment not reckoned to us

- Christ has removed the right of Law to condemn

- though we have not kept the law

Luke 7:36-46

Self-Righteous Pharisee who
doesn't need much forgiveness

Sinful woman, who is broken by law

7:47 Therefore, I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, — ^{CDNSP}
for she loved much. — ^{effect}

But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.

"Faith with its fruits." §34

7:50 Your faith has saved you. Go in peace
— Clear explanation

Toopert §152-155

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Triglot

Ap IV, III, §31-34