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***Dogmatics in Outline* (SCM Press, London: 1966)**

[Man's] legal status as a sinner is rejected in every form. Man is no longer seriously regarded by God as a sinner. Whatever he may be, whatever there is to be said of him, whatever he has to reproach himself with, God no longer takes him seriously as a sinner. He has died to sin; there on the Cross of Golgotha....We are no longer addressed and regarded by God as sinners...We are acquitted gratis, *sola gratia*, by God's own entering in for us.

In this one man, God sees every man, all of us, as through a glass...Before His eyes from eternity God keeps men, each man, in Him, in this One; and not only before His eyes, but loved and elect and called and made His possession. In Him, He has from all eternity bound Himself to each, to all.

***Church Dogmatics, IV:1* (Edinburgh: T.&T. Clark), 1956, p. 259**

He was man as we are. His condition was no different from ours. He took our flesh, the nature of man as he comes from the fall...His sinlessness was not therefore His condition. It was the act of His being in which He defeated temptation in His condition which is ours, in the flesh...He emptied Himself...placing Himself in the series of men who rebelled against God in their delusion...In so doing, in His own person, He reversed the fall in their place and for their sake.