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And (the Comforter), when he is come, will convict the world in respect of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment. John 16.8.

No one who is truly awakened spiritually is unconscious of his sins. Like the prodigal son of Luke 15, he becomes aware, at the moment when he comes to himself, that he has sinned against his father as well as heaven. A person who is enlightened by the Holy Spirit will not fail to reprove himself for his sins (John 16.8). This is the time when he needs God's forgiveness. If he does not see his sin, he will not seek forgiveness. But once he notices it, he will spontaneously think of his guilt before God, the penalty of sin, the ceaseless suffering of hell, and the hope of salvation. Then and there is the gospel preached to us, proclaiming that the Lord Jesus has died on the cross and His blood has been poured out for the remission of sins. By His blood our sins are washed away. Upon hearing and believing the gospel we shall receive the remission of sins and the cleansing of our conscience.