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- It always pointed to the _____ for a _____ and better covenant between God and man.

We have a problem with sin that religion, ritual and earthly sacrifice _____.

- Our sin problem has been dealt with in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

- Putting our faith in the finished work of Christ alone has the power to give us _____ (perfection) with God forever!

Since this is true...

- Let us _____ to God! (v.22)
 - With a _____ heart.
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*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
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Let us _____ one another! (v.24-25)

- Stir up one another to love and _____.
- _____ meet together.
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