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Dear Friends of the Foundation:

This week, as we continue to read through Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, we arrive at Book II, chapter 10, which has to do with the similarity of the Old and New Testaments. In fact, they both have to do with the grace of God and they both have to do with Jesus Christ.

I am fascinated that Calvin issues a little challenge to us here in section 20:

A huge forest of material, I see, looms before us. Over this we should have to tarry much longer than the plan of this work permits; for this would require a large volume, but for the fact that I have, I believe, blazed a trail for the moderately discerning reader through this forest whereby he may go forward without stumbling. Hence I shall avoid a prolixity here unnecessary. (pp. 446-447)

Well! I pray that we all may be at least "moderately discerning readers"! And where there is difficulty, let us help one another.

Grace and Peace,

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