

**AN ESSAY ON THE
GROUND OR
FORMAL REASON
OF SAVING FAITH**

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649539437

An Essay on the Ground or Formal Reason of Saving Faith by Thomas Halyburton

Except for use in any review, the reproduction or utilisation of this work in whole or in part in any form by any electronic, mechanical or other means, now known or hereafter invented, including xerography, photocopying and recording, or in any information storage or retrieval system, is forbidden without the permission of the publisher, Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd, PO Box 1576 Collingwood, Victoria 3066 Australia.

All rights reserved.

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.
Cover @ 2017

This book is sold subject to the condition that it shall not, by way of trade or otherwise, be lent, re-sold, hired out, or otherwise circulated without the publisher's prior consent in any form or binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition including this condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

www.triestepublishing.com

THOMAS HALYBURTON

**AN ESSAY ON THE
GROUND OR
FORMAL REASON
OF SAVING FAITH**

AN ESSAY
ON
THE GROUND OR FORMAL REASON
OF
SAVING FAITH.

BY THE
REV. THOMAS HALYBURTON,
PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY IN THE UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED,
TWO ESSAYS, BY THE SAME AUTHOR,
ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE SUBJECT OF JUSTIFICATION.

ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE YEAR 1714.

A New Edition, carefully Revised.

LONDON:
JAMES NISBET & CO., BERNERS STREET.

MDCCCLXV.

101. g. 47.

Printed by John Greig and Son, Edinburgh.



PREFACE TO THE NEW EDITION.

IN an age when the foundations of our faith are endangered by vague and inaccurate notions of Inspiration, it is of the utmost importance, that the divine authority of the Holy Scriptures should be vindicated, and firmly established on its proper basis. For this purpose, the writings of eminent men who have, in their own experience, successfully contended with temptations to infidelity, are highly valuable. Among these, as is well known, Professor Halyburton holds a distinguished place. His "Reason of Faith," has been pronounced by some of the most competent judges,* to be equal, if not superior, to any other treatise on the same subject, in our language: and the two shorter Essays, especially the last, will be read with deep interest, by those who are desirous of attaining a well-grounded assurance of their own interest in the blessed life to come.

That great and good man was early removed from

* Dr Chalmers and Principal Cunningham.

the church on earth, to higher service above. Had he lived to prepare the following Essays for the press, they would have appeared to much greater advantage. For, on comparing them with his inimitable sermons, it is evident that they were first thoughts, chiefly put down as they occurred at the time of writing; although the subject had been fully matured in his own mind. For this reason, the Editor has judged it necessary to deal with them as with manuscripts: observing, however, the strictest fidelity to the works of so illustrious an Author; and having no other aim but to bring out his meaning as distinctly, and as much in his own words, as possible.

R. B.

ROCKHAVEN, 23d March 1865.



CONTENTS.



ESSAY I.

ON THE GROUND, OR FORMAL REASON
OF
SAVING FAITH IN THE SCRIPTURES :

WHEREIN THE OPINION OF THE RATIONALISTS, ESPECIALLY AS IT IS STATED BY THE LEARNED MR LOCKE, IS PROPOSED AND EXAMINED. 3

ESSAY II.

A MODEST ENQUIRY, WHETHER REGENERATION OR JUSTIFICATION IS FIRST IN ORDER OF NATURE. 89

ESSAY III.

AN ENQUIRY INTO THE NATURE OF THAT ACT, BY WHICH GOD JUSTIFIES A SINNER. 119

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for transparency and accountability, particularly in the context of public administration and government operations. This section outlines the various methods and tools used to collect, store, and analyze data, ensuring that all information is readily accessible and up-to-date.

2. The second part of the document focuses on the implementation of these record-keeping practices. It provides a detailed overview of the organizational structure and processes involved in managing records, from the initial collection of data to its final storage and retrieval. This section also addresses the challenges and solutions associated with maintaining large-scale data systems, including issues related to data security, privacy, and system integration.

3. The third part of the document discusses the role of technology in modern record-keeping. It explores the use of digital tools and platforms to streamline data management processes, improve efficiency, and reduce the risk of data loss or corruption. This section highlights the benefits of cloud-based storage and data analytics, as well as the importance of regular system updates and security audits.

4. The fourth part of the document addresses the legal and ethical considerations surrounding record-keeping. It discusses the requirements for data protection and privacy, as well as the responsibilities of organizations to ensure that their record-keeping practices comply with applicable laws and regulations. This section also touches on the importance of transparency and public access to records, where appropriate.

5. The fifth part of the document provides a summary of the key findings and recommendations. It reiterates the importance of a robust record-keeping system and offers practical advice for organizations looking to improve their data management practices. This section also includes a list of resources and references for further reading and research.

ESSAY I.



ON THE GROUND OR REASON OF FAITH.