Appendix G- Lecture 15

Calvin’s Outline of 3, 11-19 (Justification)
In chapter 11, Calvin tells us what justification is (1, 2) and gives its scriptural basis (3, 4). In sections 5-12, he refutes Osiander and in 13-20, he refutes the Roman Catholic doctrine. In 21-23, he returns to his definition and reviews what he has said.

In chapter 12, Calvin reminds us of the importance of this matter: we stand on trial before the most high God.

Chapter 13 sets forth two points which must always be remembered in connection with the doctrine of justification by faith: (1) God’s glory must be exalted, and (2) believers must have peace of conscience.

In chapter 14, Calvin looks at justification from the standpoint of God’s declaration in eternity and at the cross and also how it affects us on earth.

Chapters 15-17 show how destructive are human claims to righteousness in that God’s glory is impaired and human peace of conscience is lost.

In chapter 18, Calvin takes up the question of rewards as promised in Scripture.

Chapter 19 treats Christian freedom, which Calvin calls “an appendage to justification.”