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A Refuge in Jesus.

MES. SUSAN W. HORNE.

WHEN the dark waves of trouble surround me, To Jesus my Lord I will go; He has promised that if we will trust him, His mercies and love we shall know.

And when I am most sorely tempted, On Jesus my Lord I will call; He has promised to be with his children, And lead them that they may not fall.

When afflicted and almost discouraged, To Jesus my Lord I'll repair; His promises are a sure refuge, The suffering can find comfort there.

Then brethren, be not desponding, But hold up your heads by the way; For Jesus has promised to keep us, If we continue to watch and to pray.

Then let us be faithful, dear brethren, And keep the commands of our God; We will find that he always is precious, As long as we trust in his word.

Then let us move onward, dear brethren; If we only have faith in his word, We can take hold by prayer of the promise, Till Jesus shall give the reward. Independence, Kansas.

The Last Seven Plagues.

SAMUEL DAVISON.

"And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous; seven angels having seven plagues, which are the last, because in them is filled up the wrath of God."-Rev. 15: 1.

The reason why these seven plagues are called the last, is, they are the last series of seven by which God has appointed to judge and destroy the national powers of the Gentiles, which, in these last days, are corrupting the earth. See Rev. 11: 18, margin. This proceeding of the God of the whole earth is not for punishment only, but also for victory over Immanuel's foes, and a preparatory measure for giving him the dominion of the earth under the whole heaven. It will bring the fulfillment of the second Psalm, and also of the *eventh chapter of Daniel, the last three verses in particular. The book of the Revelations of Jesus Christ was given to show unto his servants the things which in the appointments of God were to

and proclaimed the kingdom of heaven at hand; which they had acquired. This called for the an-

our Lord Jesus Christ.

These judgments are first presented in a little "The first angel sounded and there followed hail

scarcity and famine that resulted from the inter- thereto, and in the northern African provinces. nal dissensions which interrupted and paralyzed to corruptions, strifes, intrigues, and a general de- the third part of them was darkened, and the come upon the earth ere the Kingdom of heaven moralization of Christian people, until God, in should be established. The Messiah had appeared righteous anger, took away from them the power

and God had attested his mission by mighty signs ger of God which gives commission to seven anand wonders, and so made it apparent that the gels or messengers of his wrath. The seventh promised son of David, the everlasting heir of his seal opens with a silence in heaven about the space throne, was there to claim his kingdom. "He of half of hour. While Constantine lived and came unto his own but his own received him not." held the undisputed dominion of the empire there TERMS. -One dollar and a half per year. Free As the congregation of Israel in the wilderness of was peace and security to the churches; this was Paran, on the borders of the promised land, hark- about fifteen years from the death of Licinius in ened to the unbelieving spies and despised the A. D. 322 to his own death in 337. After that the good land and so were turned back into the wil- scene changes, and there is seen seven angels derness until all the men of that generation were standing before God, and there was given to them dead, so when Jews and Gentiles rejected God's seven trumpets. And another angel with a golden anointed Son, the kingdom of heaven was taken censer full of prayers of saints, which he presentfrom them until all those national powers should ed upon the golden altar which was before the be killed which had rejected the promise of God; throne of God. These were the prayers of the and so shall be taken out of the way by the just true servants of God, lamenting the general corruptions of the times; in answer to them the cen-The denunciations of Jesus upon Jerusalem and ser was filled with fire off the altar, and the angel Judea had already come to pass when this book of cast it upon the earth: the result was thunderings the Revelations of Jesus Christ was given to John, and lightnings, and an earthquake. The so called and the warning is now given that the judgment holy Catholic Church and the Christian empire of which had begun at the house of God would be Constantine were overthrown by just judgments extended to all nations that obey not the gospel of of God upon the whole empire. This was the mission of the seven angels with seven trumpets:

book sealed with seven seals, or a seven-fold roll, and fire, mingled with blood, and they were cast each of which contained a distinct scene of judg- upon the earth, and the third part* of trees and all ment against the Empire of Rome, which then green grass was burnt up." The previous prosusurped the dominion of the world. The opening perity was wholly reversed by public calamities. of this series begins with the fourth chapter, in This scene is believed to belong to the early part which, with the fifth, all the paraphernalia of a of the fifth century, when a vast army of barbajudgment becoming the glory of God and his son rians invaded all the continental parts of the Jesus Christ are represented as taking place in empire and seemed to take delight in destroying heaven; but the powers judged are on the earth. all that was elegant and refined belonging to the The first seal opens with thunder; and behold, cultivated Romans, men of fortune and eminence a white horse, and his rider had a bow and a in Church and State. This fell mostly upon France crown, and he went forth conquering and to con- and the provinces along the lower Rhine. "The quer; a warning to all that the Ceasars then second angel sounded, and as it were a great reigning would maintain the sovereignty of the mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea; world. It was Rome's symbol of a conqueror pre- and a third part of the sea became blood, and a sented in the form of a prophecy of the character third of the living creatures which were in the of those times; it lasted 150 years. The second sea died, and a third part of the ships was deseal opens with a red horse, his rider had power stroyed." This scene is believed to belong to the to take peace from the earth, and represented a second great invasion of the Roman Empire by period of internal strife for the imperial power, in various barbarian people who invaded and desowhich military parties destroyed each other and lated the maritime parts of the Empire under filled the empire with intrigue and violence. The Alaric, and othes, his allies, and imports the overthird seal showed a black horse and his rider with throw and subversion of the provincial governa pair of balances in his hand, an emblem of the ments in the peninsulas and islands belgnging

"And the third angel sounded, and there fell a the national industries. The fourth was a pale great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, horse, and his rider's name was death, and hell, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and or the grave, opened after him. Pestilence, fam- upon the fountains of waters. And the name of ine, violence, and the wild beasts of the earth, be- the star is wormwood; and a third part of the wacame the allies of death, so that it was thought by ters became wormwood, and many men died of some that half the population of the empire per- the waters, because they were made bitter.". This ished. See Eusebius, book 9, chapt. 8. The fifth great star is believed to have been Attila, a king seal opens a martyr's scene. The pagan party in of the Huns, who from 441 to 450 repeatedly invathe empire attributed their calamities to the anger | ded the mountainous parts of the Empire, where of their gods, and stirred up a persecution against the rivers and fountains of waters rise. Affecting to Christians with the avowed design of extirpating be sent as a scourge from God he not only slewmany them. This added greatly to the public calami- of the inhabitants, but also imposed such burdens ties. The sixth seal opens with an earthquake. upon them that lived that life became a burden Constantine, with his British and Gallie legions, under which many sunk into premature graves. conquered and took possession of the empire, "The fourth angel sounded and the third part of adopted the Christian party, and established what the sun was smitten, and the third part of the was called "the Holy Catholic Church." This led moon, and the third part of the stars, so as that

*The empire naturally divided by the Mediter-ranean Sea and the Hellespont into three parts.

for convenience in the administration of the gov- Ottoman. This was the second woe which afflicted -11th of Isaiah and the 3rd of Malachi. pets of the three angels which are yet to sound. als of the wrath of God.

The restoration of the empire did not restore the

primitive faith of the church, but led to further

destruction of Messiah's foes. "And the fifth angel sounded, and a star was seen fallen from heaven unto the earth, and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.' This is believed to have been Mahomet. He was not an exterminator of churches, but a professed reformer; he required submission and tribute, or death to all opposers. All the eastern parts of the Empire were soon overrun by him. The Saracens joined his standard, and their mission was not to kill but to torment the men that had not the seal of God upon their foreheads, and this was to continue five months, the time that locusts usually over a large extent of territory, they erected four ing to the Scriptures." 1 Cor. 15: 3. distinct governments called Sultanies, which were in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men." Ten times there is mention of a third part, but it is not always the same third part, nor is it always to be found in the same part of the Empire; but in the order of provi-

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time, but that a third part of the imperial powers hallowed manner of life, further warning was were under an eclipse, or subverted by invading given them by thunders of providence, but they enemies. This was the case with the empire in repented not. At length the seventh angel sounds all western Europe at the sounding of the fourth and the mystery of God, which he hath shown to warning trumpet. The Ostrogoths invaded Italy, his servants the prophets, is finished, and the subverted the criginal government and erected a kingdoms of this world become the kingdom of separate kingdom; and this course was soon fol- our God and his Christ; and he reigns forever lowed by the erection of the nations now known more. But the events of the time comprehended as the western nations of Europe. This was the in this last trumpet are given more in detail, as if way the fourth beast of Daniel came to have ten they had been passed over too summarily in the horns, which were afterward reunited under preceding announcements of the six preceding Charlemagne, who was crowned by the pope, trumpets. They related most directly to the king-Christmas day, A. D., 800, and proclaimed Em- doms of men; but all this time God has had a peperor of the holy Roman Empire; and this was culiar people for whom he cares, and to whom the all pretended to be done in the name and by the kingdom of heaven is to be given when the career grace of God. For a time there was an eclipse of of the nations is ended. Their history appears in (To be continued.)

The two Advents of Christ.

perversions of the holy Scriptures, and greater THE Bible, in the Old and New Testaments, corruptions of manners; and hence these woes speaks of two advents or comings of Jesus are announced as decrees of God until the final Christ. The first is past, the second is future. The characteristics of the first were Christ's humiliation and death as a sin-offering; of the second, his exaltation and kingdom. These characteristics are presented in Heb. 9:28. "Christ was them that look for him shall he appear the second time, without sin unto salvation."

Concerning the first advent many particulars are given in the Old Testaments. Thus it is predicted that Messiah should be the seed of woman, a son of Abraham, of the tribe of Judah, of the kingly family of David; that, at a defiravage upon the green crops of the husbandman: nite time pointed out by Daniel, he should be prophetically, a day for a year, 150 years; from born in Bethlehem, spend much time and labor A. D. 612 to 762. Mahomet and his coadjutors, the in Galilee, work miracles, teach the people, be Saracens, made Mecca, in Arabia, their sacred city; betrayed by a professed friend, have his hands of the Euphrates, and built Bagdad, and called it ied, and rise again. All these things concernthe city of peace. Extending their government ing Christ were fulfilled, as Paul says, "accord-

nople. The time allotted for this power to tor- second advent is described in the 110th Psalm, ment the nations is 391 years, extending from the 35th of Isaiah, and the 7th of Daniel. Someeye of his faith will discern a rainbow in it.

day shone not for a third part of it, and the night | 1281 to 1672. This is the extent of their conquerlikewise." The Roman Empire extended over ing power. The four angels loosed were the four that the four that the

armies with commanders authorized to administer the affairs of the general government; thus a nations did not lead them to repent of their muraccustomed to expect in their Messiah only a third of the luminaries of heaven being darkened ders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornicadoes not imply that it was a third part darkness tions, nor of their thefts; but those that were concerning his first advent, and looked only at in all parts of the empire at one and the same spared in these judgments continuing in their undesired him to assume the crown ere he had borne the cross. Often did Jesus have to explain to his disciples, and in vain, the mysteries of his death and resurrection. They understood not these mysteries until they had been ful-

The unbelieving Jews wished God to do what he did not do, namely, to give them only one advent, and that the second. They wanted to ignore the blood cross and the dark grave. But, thanks be unto God, his wisdom and love had ordained that Jesus must die for our sins and be raised again for our justification. How deceitful is the human heart! How many are repeatall the imperial powers in a third part of the em- the history of the witnesses for God, and is given ing the unbelief of the Jews. But their unbepire; but by a union of the imperial and papal in the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th chapters, as lief now fastens upon the second advent instead powers all was restored to its former luster, and suffering persecution from the ten horned beast, of the first. Many are ready to wonder at the thus the empire was revived. At this period an and from the image of the beast in his first career, unbelief of the Jews in Christ's day, who are episode is brought in, and an angel appears flying until, at length, as if the long suffering of God is just as unbelieving as they. We would not be through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud exhausted, angels are sent out to announce that harsh. But we think those are wrong who revoice, woe, -woe, -woe, -to the inhabitants of the the harvest of the earth, and of the vineyard, is fuse to believe that Christ's second advent is earth, by reason of the other voices of the trum- at hand. After these things follow the seven vi- just as literal as the first, and that it is intended to establish the kingdom of God in all its glory upon the earth, so that the petition of the Lord's prayer may be accomplished: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." Concerning this we shall have more to say further on.

We believe that the second advent is the means God will use to cause his glorious earthly kingdom to come. The two advents are both literal. The relation of the first to the second once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto may be compared to that between the bud and the fruit, or between the foundation stone and the completed palace.

In his last discourse Jesus said: "I go to prepare a place for you; and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14: 2, 3. We think this means that his coming again is to complete the great work of redemption.

This is what Jesus means when he says: "A but after the Turks got the principal power they and feet pierced, have his garments divided by ceive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And transferred the seat of their empire to the border lot, be offered vinegar in his thirst, die, be bur- it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom," etc. Luke 19: 12-15. The nobleman is Jesus Christ. The far country is heaven. His return is his second coming. restrained from making further conquests westNorth by the crosseders of the paral nations. Thus, Old and New Testaments, concerning Christ's just as wrong in us not to believe this teaching. that time it is believed "The sixth angel sounded" of his second coming is unknown to angels and was on earth, not to believe his teaching then. and a voice from the four horns of the golden als men, yet particular signs of its approach are They rejected his cross, shall we reject his given with much care. He shall descend from crown? They insisted upon a literal kingdom heaven in like manner in which he ascended, upon earth at his first coming, shall we insist and at the same place, Olivet, near Jerusalem. upon a mere spiritual kingdom at his second He shall come in the clouds of heaven, accom- coming? They thought Messiah's humiliation panied by his saints and angels, to complete and death impossible, shall we judge his triumph and perfect the salvation and redemption of his and reign upon earth absurd and impossible? people. His coming will, to the ungodly, be as If they were too carnal in their views, are we dence all three parts of the empire come under entrance of a thief. The ungodly shall then be to him what he shall do? If the Jews refuse to that part of the empire which ruled over the Euphratean ferritories: that is the eastern part of ly spoken of in the 22nd and coul. To believe and understand those which speak of phratean territories; that is, the eastern part of ly spoken of in the 22nd and 69th Psalms, in his earthly glory?—A. J. R., in Herald and Pres-

No cloud can overshadow a Christian, but the

The Scattering and Restoration [Continued.]

Again, Isa. 60: 9-22. "Surely soil for me, and the ships of Tan wait for me, and the far, their silvering thy sons from far, their silvering with them. unto the bring thy sons from far, their sile bring thy them, unto the name of gold with the Holy One of Isra gold, and to the Holy And the son hath glorified thee. And the son hath build up thy walls, and their shall build up thy walls, and their winister unto thee: for in my warms, and the thee, Therefore the containing thee, they shall not be shut da that men may bring unto thee th Gentiles, and that their kings ma For the nation and kingdom that thee shall perish; yea, those nation thee shan por The glory of Lebal terly wasted. The glory of Lebal unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tre and I will make the place of my The sons also of them that afflicome bending unto thee; and despised thee shall bow themselv soles of thy feet; and they shall o city of the Lord, The Zion of the Israel. Whereas thou hast been hated, so that no man went throu make thee an eternal excellency, generations. Thou shalt also suc the Gentiles, and shalt suck the b and thou shalt know that I the Lo vior and thy Redeemer, the migh cob. For brass I will bring gold, will bring silver, and for wood sones iron: I will also make thy and thine exactors righteousne shall no more be heard in thy lan destruction within thy borders; call thy walls Salvation, and thy The suu shall be no more thy ligh ther for brightness shall the m unto thee: but the Lord shall be everlasting light, and thy God th sun shall no more go down; nei moon withdraw itself: for the thine everlasting light, and the mourning shall be ended. Thy p be all righteous: they shall inher ever, the branch of my planting. my hands, that I may be glorified shall become a thousand, and strong nation: I the Lord will ha time."

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The Scattering and Restoration of Israel.

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gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy hath glorified thee. And the sons of strangers hath shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote but in my favor have I had mercy on Therefore thy gates shall be open continually: they shall not be shut day nor night; Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought. unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious. the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the Lord am thy Sacob. For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for sones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended. Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for my hands, that I may be glorified. A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the Lord will hasten it in his time."

This prophecy abounds with beautiful figures, but they have no reference to the Gentile church as some teach. The prophet clearly maintains a distinction between "the Gentiles" and those to whom the prophecy relates. It is figurative-"sons" brought "from far." And they have the ATTENDANCE of the GENTILES, from whom they are clearly distinguished: "The Gentiles shall come to their [Israel's] light; and the forces [wealth, mar.] of the Gentiles shall come unto thee"-Israel-making a perfect distincthey DO COME. When Zion's "sons" are brought their gold with them." This has been applied their wealth to him. It is true that the sons of shall choose Jerusalem again." Zion are to bring their wealth with them; and first to bring their sons from far." Ships will which they have scattered, but are quite unnecessary as a mode of admission into the church, and its fellowships! But when restored, "they shall be all righteous," and" they shall inherit the land of Canaan forever;" and they shall

of the Bible, does not inherit this land, neither shall go with whirlwinds of the south. will he ever inherit it.

be greatly multiplied. "A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong na tion. I the Lord will hasten it in his time."

Again, Israel's exaltation is very forcibly pregold with the Holy One of Israel, because he flicted. But Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken beat them small, and shalt make the hills as me, and my Lord bath formatter. woman forget her sucking child, that she should Obad. 18.—"And the house of Jacob shall be not have compassion on the son of her womb? a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle my hands; thy walls are continually before be any remaining of the house of Esau: for the that men may bring unto thee the forces of the me. Thy children shall make haste; thy de- Lord hath spoken it." stroyers and they that made thee waste shall go Jer. 51: 19-23.—"The portion of Jacob is not generations. Thou shalt also suck the milk of seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, man and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will a captive, and removing to and fro? and who I break in pieces captains and rulers." and thou shalt know that I am the Lord; for Lord, and their substance unto the Lord of the they shall not be ashamed that wait for me."

Here we learn that Gentiles are to carry Israto be nursing fathers, and queens nursing mothers," and that they shall bow before Israel captivity of Zion!" when instead of being and all thine enemies shall be cut off." "spoiled evermore" Israel shall "eat the riches of the Gentiles;" when instead of Israel being oppressed, Gentiles shall "be their plowmen and vinedressers!" yea, "the nation and kingdom that will not serve them, [Israel] shall perish!"

"Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the Lord of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before ly addressed to Zion, the people of Israel, the his ancients gloriously. In that day shall the Lord of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people" Israel.

Again, in Zech. 2: 10-12 we have one of these

Long have Israel been cast off, and without a It is also true that they are to be brought, by a home, and their land by strangers trod, and they conveyance, the mention of which should be suf- the Gentiles scoff! But in the day of their restorneight to prevent its ever being applied to the ation they shall become powerful in the hand of Gentile church! "And THE SHIPS of Tarshish the Lord, and be made a scourge and terror to the nations whither they have been driven, and be perfectly suited and requisite for the restora- by whom they have been hated and oppressed, tion of Israel from many of the lands into and are found at the time when they are to be delivered!

> Zech. 9: 13, 14. "When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O and those who curse Israel!!! Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man. And the Lord shall be seen over them Lord of hosts shall defend them."

Isa. 41: 8-15-"But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou Again, 1sa. of the ships of Tarshish first, to be joyful, O earth; and break forth into sing-cast thee away. . . . Behold I will make wait for me, and their silver and their ing, O mountains; for the Lord both according walt for me, and their silver and their ing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comfort- thee a new sharp threshing instrument having bring thy sons from far, their silver and their ed his people, and will have more than the a new sharp threshing instrument having

Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of in them, and devour them; and there shall not

forth of thee. Lift up thine eyes round about, like them; for he is the former of all things; and thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be ut- and behold: a'l these gather themselves togeth- Israel is the rod of his inheritance: the Lord of er, and come to thee thee shared. The glory of Lebanon shall come er, and come to thee. As I live, saith the Lord, host is his name. Thou art my battle ax and then the fir tree, the nine tree, and the hor thou shall surely clothed the first ree, the nine tree, and the hor thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as weapons of war: for with thee will I break in with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy bride doeth. For thy waste and thy desolate kingdoms; and with thee will I break in pieces The sons also of them that afflited thee shall places, and the land of thy destruction, shall the horse and his rider; and with thee will I come bending unto thee; and all they that even now be too narrow by reason of the inhab- break in pieces the chariot and his rider; with despised thee shall bow themselves down at the itants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be thee also will I break in pieces man and woman; soles of the feet; and they shall call thee, The far away. The children which thou shalt have, and with thee will I break in pieces old and city of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in young; and with thee will I break in pieces the Israel. Whereas thou hast been fo saken and thine ears, The place is too strait for me: give young man and the maid; I will also break in hated, so that no man went through thee, I will place to me that I may dwell. Then shalt thou pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, with thee will I break in pieces the husband-

hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; Micah 4: 11-13-"Now also many nations are vior and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Ja- these, where had they been? Thus saith the gathered against thee that say, Let her be de-Lord God, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to filed, and let our eye look upon Zion. But they the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the peo- knew not the thoughts of the Lord, neither unple: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, derstand they his counsel: for he shall gather and thy daughters shall be carried on their them as the sheaves into the floor. Arise and shoulders. And kings shall be thy nursing fa thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: thine horn iron, and I will make thine hoofs they shall bow down to thee with their faces to- brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many peoward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; ple: and I will consecrate their gain unto the

whole earth."

Micah 5: 8, 9-"And the remnant of Jacob el's "sons in their arms"—that their "kings are shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and and Israel's king. O how great the change! teareth in pieces, and none can deliver. Thine ever, the branch of my planting, the work of when the Lord shall have "turned again the hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversa ies,

> Zech. 12: 5-"And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem shall be my strength in the Lord of hosts their God. In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, even in Jerusalem."

Ps. 149: 2-9-"Let I rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. For the Lord taketh delightful predictions of Israel's exaltation and pleasure in his people: he will beautify the glory. "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: meek with salvation. Let the saints * be joyfor, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of ful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their tion between those coming and those to whom thee, saith the Lord. And many nations shall beds. Let the high praises of God be in their be joined to the Lord in that day, and shall be mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand; "from far," they shall bring "their silver and my people: and I will dwell in the midst of to execute vengeance upon the heathen, and thee, and thou shalt know that the Lord of hosts | punishments upon the people; to pind their hath sent me unto thee. And the Lord shall kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters to the converts to a Christ in consecrating inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and of iron; to execute upon them the judgment written: this honor have all his saints. Praise ye the Lord."

> Thus Israel is to be exalted and become the HEAD of the nations, the honored instrument in the hand of the Lord, in destroying the nations, beating them small as chaff, smiting the image upon its feet, so that its ingredients become like the chaff of the summer's threshing floor "grind them to powder-that" no place will be found for them! Solemn day! ! when these denunciations shall be inflicted on antichristian nations and gospel hardened sinners.

* Gentiles are never called saints in the Bible and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning; of Abraham's God! It was the woman seated The Gentile when converted to THE CHRIST and the Lord God shall blow the trumpet, and upon the scarlet colored beast that first cannon-The ized Gentiles as saints. And her daughters are simple enough to copy after their mother.

V. The nations that escape these denunciations will come to worship in Jerusalem-in the

Age to Come. "And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which cameagainst Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of the tabernacles." Zech. 14: 16. The Redeemer, having with wonderful condescension, promised to dwell with men; Israel as coming to worship before HIM IN JERUSAthe hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to paths; for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

are both taken to be the church; and the nations and people coming thither are those becoming members of it. If such would only look at tation from the Shorter Catechism, pp. 55, 56. the text and the context, they would see that such an interpretation, is unscriptural and ridiculous! This text is evidently a contrast to something previously declared. "But in the last days it shall come to pass."-Here we have two marks of contrast; 'but' in contradistinction to something previously mentioned, "it shall come to pass," and "in the last days," things shall differ from those of another period-refered to previously. These points of contrast have been separated in the division of chapters, a work of verse of the preceding chapter, the meaning of 2 Tim. 2: 19; John 13: 3. this portion of the Living Oracles will be easily vided? understood. That chapter contains an exposure and a reproof of the hypocrisy of the "heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of Israel," and a threatening is announced of coming judgments on their land and city! "They build up Zion with blood," Mount Zion, and Jerusalem, the capital of David's kingdom,"with iniquity." "The heads thereof judge for reward, and the upon the Lord, and say, Is not the Lord among 22; 1 Peter 2: 8; Jude 4.' '

Here we have immutable testimony, that it for the sins of the Jews, were to be plowed and laid in heaps! And the prophecy has had its literal fulfillment, as every historian and Bible student knows. And it is in contrast to their present state, that from the same Jerusalem built up, and Zion built up, and house, or temple of the Lord built up, the word of the Lord

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trine of election as held by those of the Protes-2: 3, 4: Micah 4: 1, 2-"But in the last days it tant Churches who accept what is called Calvinshall come to pass, that the mountain of the ism, is that God, in the creation of the world, house of the Lord shall be established in the top foreordained every thing which has come to pass, of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above and predestinated a part of the family of mankind to be saved in his kingdom and a part of them to perish in the everlasting destruction to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will be poured out upon the wicked; that is, some teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his were made to be subjects of grace and the remainder were made to be subjects of wrath; he knew when he created man upon the earth that In this portion of HOLY WRIT, the house of the he would sin and some of his posterity would be God of Jacob, and the mountain of the Lord, saved, while the remainder would be born to be damned. We do not want to misrepresent an opponent's theory. We make the following quo-

> "Who are the special objects of God's decrees? Angels and men.

What is God's decree concerning angels and men, commonly called?

His predestinating them. What is meant by predestination?

It is God's unchangeable purpose or decree. concerning the last end, and eternal state, of an-Rom. 9: 11. 13, 18.

Is the precise number of angels and men, thus predestinated, particularly and unchangably defined?

Yes; their number is so certain and definite uninspired men! But by looking at the last that it cannot be either increased or diminished.

Into the decree of election and reprobation. What is God's decree of election, as it respects men?

It is his choosing a certain number of mankind, in Christ, to eternal life, and the means of it, to the praise of his glorious grace, Eph. 1: 4; 2 Thes

What is God's decree of reprobation, as it respects men?

thereof divine for money: yet will they lean praise of the glory of his justice, Rom. 9: 17, 18,

ble for whatever transpires or has come to pass in and by the use of the means of grace they the world, both good and evil. Then he knew "Work out their own salvation." Instead of and foreordained when he made man that he certain members of the human family being pre-

fer the penalty; that before man was created the Savior was provided to suffer the death of the cross, and that the majority of mankind would reject the offered mercy and perish, while but few would constitute the elect and be saved.

The Scriptures throughout teach the doctrine of man's free moral agency, and of free grace. It is said, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve," "I have set before you life and death: therefore choose life that thou mayest live." The Creator's THE doctrine of Election is one of the tenets of act of placing Adam in the garden of Eden with having been rebuilt;" 'the temple" as described some of the so-called orthodox churches, and is permission to eat and use of all that was there, and predicted by Ezekiel, having been built in also a doctrine of the Bible, though we cannot but one tree, leaving him free to eat and forfeit his Jerusalem; the believers of all past ages having see the subjects of election and predestination as life, or observe the prohibition and live, shows been gathered from every clime, made immor. taught in their catechisms and articles of faith. at once that Adam was responsible for what he tal, and filling their various stations and offices We read in Scripture of "the elect," of "God's did. Had God foreordained Adam to disobey him in the age to come: the nations are represented purpose according to election," and are told to when he set these conditions before him with the "make our calling and election sure." The doc- thing prohibited in his reach, there could no responsibility attach to Adam and Eve for their sin. for they could not have done otherwise; and God knowing and foreordaining that they would break his command, and creating them under such circumstances, would make the author of their existence the author of all they did, and consequently of their sin. If our first parents could not have done otherwise, why say to them, "Of the tree of knowledge of good and evil thou shalt not eat of it," and then call them to account for what they did? This plainly shows us that Adam and Eve were free to take their own course, and that it was not marked out for them. In every incident of Scripture history we find that those who commit sin are held responsible and choose for themselves the way of death.

Elect means chosen, and the elect of God have always been his chosen people or individuals. He chose Abraham from the midst of idolatrous surroundings, to be his faithful servant, and on the trial of his faith called him his friend. We do not read of any predestination or foreknowledge gels and men, 1 Tim. 5: 21; Jude 6; Ex. 33: 19; in the case of Abraham; but as Abraham proved his faithfulness to God, God gave him promises relating to his seed and to his posterity. Then when these promises were made, as concerning the things promised we might say they were predestinated; that is, God in his wisdom promised How is the decree of predestination usually di- that such should be, and by his power would cause his word to be fulfilled. Being the author of the world and of nature, whenever he has said a thing should be he has brought and will bring it about. Abraham and his descendants, through Isaac and through Jacob, thus became the chosen or elect of God. But then, as it has been since, "In every nation he that feareth God and work-It is his passing by, and ordaining all the rest were provisions in their regulations for others to priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets of mankind whom he has not chosen, to dishonor and wrath, to be for their sins inflicted, to the or election of Israel. When the Son of God us? none evil can come upon us." "Therefore We understand this quotation to teach that but gave him up to be crucified on a Roman [on account of their wickedness,] shall Zion, when God made the world, and made man, he cross, the elect of God ceased to be vested in a na-[not the Gentile church,] for your sakes be knew and foreordained just what would transpire tional church, and Christ, who was the head of plowed as a field, and Jerusalem, [not the Gen- on earth and what man would do. To foreordain the church, after his rejection by the former elect tile church, shall become heaps, and the moun- we understand to mean that he decides that people, and after his resurrection, before going to tain of the house, [the templa,] as the high things shall be, and by his omnipotent power he heaven, commissioned his disciples to "go into all brings them to pass. To foreordain is to establish the world, and preach the gospel to every creator ordain beforehand. To predestinate is to de- ure, and he that believeth shall be saved." Now was the literal "Jerusalem, and Zion," and cide beforehand the destiny of whatever is pre- all become one in Christ, and all believers in him destinated. This doctrine of foreordination, pre- are the elect, the chosen, or accepted of God. The destination, or election, takes away the free moral Father chooses or accepts them in preference to agency of man, and makes the Creator responsi- others, because they accept or choose his ways;

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This most sacred of all the sacred localities of the Turks in ElKhuds (or 'the Holy') is situated beneath the Conaculum, in the hamlet called Neby Da-ud (or the prophet David), near Zion gate. No spot about the Holy City is half so jealously guarded as this sanctum sanctorum of the Moslems, so confidently believed by Jew and Christian, as well as Mohammedan, to contain the dust of the 'Sweet Singer of Israel.' Hence, the superstitious awe with which it is venerated by Musselmans is only equaled by the itching curiosity of Jews and Christians to explore the hidden arcana of its mysterious recesses. Many have been the attempts, by foul means and by fair, to gain admittance; but all efforts have proved abortive until quite recently (in 1855), when my daughter had the good fortune to be admitted, 'without money and without price,' and without intrigue, simply through the strong attachment of a Moslem lady, as will be perceived on reading the following extract from her journal:-

"Early one morning, during the feast of Rhamadan (the Moslem's month of fast, equivalent to the Catholic's Lent), I was called to see one of my Turkish friends, who rejoices in the name of the Lawgiver of Israel (Moosa). I remembered that he had lately hinted at the possibility of my gaining an entrance into the Tomb of David, and I his mysterious manner that my pleasing anticipations were not unfounded. The most profound secresy was enjoined, and he proceeded to disclose the nature of his errand. In short, I was informed reaching his home, where we found her busily engaged in selecting clothes for my disguise. A maid was summoned, at whose mercy I was placed, and she proceeded to dress me in a robe and trowsers and tunic of blue, embroidered in silver flowers. My hands were dyed with henna, without which my disguise would have been incomplete. My face 100, was pretty deeply tawned by a residence of that entered in their monuments."-pp. 208-213. several years under a burning Syrian sun, which was quite an addition to my Turkish appearance. The white sheet, veil, and slippers, came in due order; and having secreted my pencil and sketchfavorite slave. The tomb of David is covered by an irregular pile of buildings, and also by a dome and minaret of a mosque. In the interior are some of the most grotesque architectural embelpillars, the remains of the times of the Crusaders. Just think—the frightful owl occupying a place with the classic acanthus and the mystic lotus! We passed through several halls and corridors, evdouble iron doors. An old dervish (a Turkish) monk) was prostrate before the door on the stone the sacred precinct, he was content with gazing the Christian and the Jew. at the tomb through the iron bars; for it is a rare Privilege that even a Musselman ecclesiastic can

ward slippers behind in case of retreat, as they would impede my retroprogress, and thereby cause me to lose my head. But, after peering under my a friend of her's from Stamboul [Constantinople]. To our great relief the slave now left us, and, havand doubly locked.

"The room is small in dimensions, but very gorgeously furnished by the Sultan, I am told, who renews the tapestry every year. The tomb is an piece of black velvet is attached, with inscriptions thereon from the Koran. A satin canopy of red, green, blue, and yellow stripes hangs over the candlesticks and golden vessels containing rose- id, although "being dead, yet speaketh." that is now known about David's Sepulchre than water, stand in different parts of the room, and a lamp hangs in the window, which is kept constantly burning, and whose wick, although saturated with oil,—and I dare say, most nauseous dose,-which my companion eagerly swallowed, muttering a prayer in Arabic, with the usual attitudes of deep humility. After prostrating herself many times she raised the covering of the tomb, and rapturously kissed it. The ceiling is vaulted, the walls covered with blue porcelain in floral figures, while the floor is of beautiful and highly polished marbles of various colors. Having stayed here an hour or more, and completed my sketch, [which is published, in colors, in 'the City of the Great King], we left, in high glee, at the success of this dangerous adventure; but much greater was my rejoicing when I found myself at home, once more, out of danger, and out of my awkward costume." '- Hadji in Syria, pp. 178-183.

vii., xv., 3,) that "David was buried by his son Solomon in Jerusalem, with great magnificence, and with all the funeral pomp with which kings of which may be easily conjectured by what I shall now say; for a thousand years afterwards, John Hyrcanus, the high priest, when Jerusalem ignore into a myth or a vapor, and displace out of was besieged by Antiochus, that was called the the Mt. Zion of God the Lord. No right-minded Pious, son of Demetrius, and was desirous of giv- Christian can or will follow after such charlatans obeyed the summons, and was soon convinced by | ing him money to raise the siege and draw off his army; and having no other method of compassing the money, opened one room of David's Sepulcher, and took out three thousand talents, and that his amiable sister was ready for an adventure; gave part of that sum to Antiochus, and by this and, being in the same mood, we were not long in means caused him to raise the siege. Nay, after him, and that many years, Herod, the king, opened another room, and took away a great deal of money; and yet neither of them came at the

covered it over with the rubbish so that the Genhave thus preserved it from molestation and deslishments imaginable on the capitals of its ancient ecration. The present pile, or superstructure of buildings, were, most probably, erected by the Saracens, prior to the times of the Crusades; who, when they (the Crusaders,) captured the city, in idently of the Quixotic era of the Crusader's dom- A. D. 1099, put their heraldic signs therein, the ination, before reaching the consecrated apart- owl, etc. After the Crusaders were expelled by ment of David, whose entrance is guarded by Saladin, the most famous of the Moslem Sultans, he placed it in the custody and surrounded it with the same Not being privileged, as ourselves, to enter the clite of their ruling nobility, to guard it from

Thus we see, through the superstitious guardian-

slave return with her! I confess that I trembled, and Jacob at Hebron; while the latter holds in and I was thinking I had better leave my such (King David's) Sepulchre, at Jerusalem. In the providence of Jehovah, the Lord God of Israel, has veil, and asking who I was, she seemed satisfied kept their identity and resting-places intact, for with the careless reply of Truefordale that I tle Peter said, in his day, more than eighteen cening dismissed the dervish, the doors were closed, turies ago, David's 'sephulchre is with us unto this day,' so it can still be said, 'David's Serhulchre' is there, on Mount Zion, where he had lived, and reigned over all Israel, for just as many (thirtyimmense sarcophagus of stone, covered with green- three) years as his lineal descendant and great son ish tapestry, embroidered with gold. To this a JESUS, had sojourned as a pilgrim in the land of Israel. David sleeps there still; but his son, our precious Savior and Redeemer unto life cternal, tomb, and tapestry of velvet, richly embroidered "did not see corruption," as David has, but arose in silver, covers a door in one end of the room, and has been glorified, as the only-begetten son of leading to a cave immediately underneath. Silver God, "the FIRST-BORN from the dead." And Dav-

And we, an humble pilgrim to the City of David, which he, being a prophet, testified that that same Mount Zion, which is beautiful for situation, SHALL become the joy of the whole earth, the city of the Great King,—we, recalling our solemn impressions in the survey of that hour, when the privilege was allowed us to see with our eyes, and within touching distance of the building which covers his tomb, standing on his loved Mt. Zion, which the Lord God of Israel has chosen and DE-SIRED for his habitation when his tabernacle is with men, we realized, in such fulness of apprehension and truthfulness, that here only will Jesus, the Son of David, have given to him the diadem, the crown, and the Key of David, to reign Dr. Barelay furthermore remarks:-"No small on his throne. The conviction there gathered, has portion of the interest attaching to the Tomb of since grown into clearer and holier and more ado-David is due to the treasure supposed to be buried rable knowledge of the wisdom of the GoD and somewhere below. Josephus informs us (Antiq. Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that he hath only exalted "THIS man," as Peter told his brethren on the day of Pentecost, far above every other name, "both in heaven and on earth," because he had been the one perfectly obedient unto the Father's used to be buried; moreover he had great and will. The futile vagaries of the self-exaltative immense wealth buried with him, the vastness Christs and Elijahs of our day are a fallacious farce, and blasphemous assumptions, which are so at variance with the history of the man of sorrows

Only Two Classes.

of the TRUE.

and acquainted with grief; whom they would fain

S. E. BRINKERLOFF.

In this world, in its present state, among mankind there are a great many classes of individuals. There are the rich and the poor, the educated and the uneducated. There are those of the finest silk of Damascus, a girdle of cashmere | coffins of the kings (David and Solomon) them- upon whom God and nature have bestowed selves; for their bodies were buried under the many excellent gifts and qualities; they have earth so artfully that they did not appear to those talent, culture, education, and are high in social standing, and their society is loved and sought. Josephus, in his "Antiquities of the Jews," re- Then there are those whose talents are so small, lates also that the Jews, in the sieges of Jerusalem | their education so limited, their purse so empty, by both Nebuchadnezzar and Titus, dismantled that they seem like the tender violet, made to book, we sallied forth accompanied by Turfendah's the upper structure of David's Sepulcher, and be trodden under the feet of richer men and greater minds than their own. But how solemn' tiles would not be able to find or identify it, and and yet cheering the thought that in the mind of the great Creator of the universe there are only two classes! God seeth not as man seeth; he smiles not upon us because we are rich; he loves us not because we are talented, and he looks not with approbation upon us because we are educated. God loves us because we are the creatures of his care, and smiles with approbation upon us if we love him and strive daily to do his righteous will.

In the eyes of Jehovah there are just two classes, and they are, those who believe in the gain admittance,—my companion and her family ship of the Saracen and the Turk,—the Arab by Lord Jesus Christ, and are striving by grace relational this privilege only on account of near his origin and lineage from Abraham, and the divine to do the will of their Father in heaven; relationship to the curator [custodian] of the Turk by his veneration of King David, as the and those who are rejecting the offers of salvasomb, Our attendant was sent for the key, which greatest Sultan of the Israelitish Scriptures, have tion and are following their own ways. Of the But what her mistress wished to pray on the 'holy spot.' combined, the former to hold in jealous custody one class it is said, "There is therefore now no But what was my consternation on seeing another the resting-place of the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus,

And again: "Ye are of your father the Devil, and the works of your father ye will do." Thus counts—the righteous and the wicked. Solemn and the works of your father ye will do." Thus under the condemnation of a violated law. But he who seartheth the hearts and trieth the reins of the children of men knoweth well to just which class each one belongs.

Reader, to which of these two classes do you belong? You may have wealth, honor, talent, education, and the love and respect of your fellow men; but if you have not an abiding hope in God through the atoning blood of Christ, all these will give you little comfort in the last great day. And again, you may be one of the poor of this world, an outcast of society, without home or friends; yet if you are one of God's little ones, if you have believed on the name of his only begotten Son, and are resting upon Christ alone for 1 cace, pardon, and salvation from sin and sorrow, in the end (or at the end) of this dispensation) you will be one of that class who shall shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of God, and be an inheritor of the kingdom that shall soon be established under the whole heaven. If you are a son or a daughter of "the Lord God Almighty" happy are you though you have not where to lay your head.

Let us for a moment look at these two classes at the end of this age. Of the one Jesus says, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." And John, the beloved apostle, all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away." Oh how it rejoices the heart of the child of God to contemplate this blessed time when he shall see the face of his dear Redeemer and bask in the sunlight of his glory! If we belong to this class when the Son of man cometh with his holy angels, and in the will not pass away; and we shall meet the noble ing and kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ." all the ransomed sons and daughters of Adam, while they profess to love their Lord, do not

and the works of your father ye will do." Thus God distinguisheth between these two classes. | Counts—the righteous and the wicked. | Jesus has told them, "Ye shall be recompensed thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus thought! As Jesus said, "He that is not with the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus the right and the works of your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." Thus the right and your father ye will do." The right and your father ye will do. They may mingle together here in all the ranks me is against me, and he that gathereth not with me is against me is again me scattereth abroad." No half way ground, no All teaching and doctrine contrary to God's business of life, yea, and in church fellowship, middle class; we must be all Christ's, time, talified by faith in Christ the Lord, and another is and to be glorified in his saints. May we con wipe away all tears from their eyes."

Let us be up and doing, Our Jesus' blessed will, That when he comes in glory, Our hearts with joy will fill, That we may rise triumphant To meet him in the air, And reign with him in glory, On Eden's plains so fair.

"Not Every One."

H. R. PERINE.

WHEN taking a view of the Christian world in its professed godliness, as we are all drawing so fearfully near the great day of wrath, how forcibly these words of our blessed Savior come to mind, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven." From these words we may learn something of that fearfull time of separation, soon to take place, severing the wicked from among the just. Almost hourly we may witness some new demonstration of the fact that earth's only King and Potentate will soon be here to take his seat upon the throne of his glory. For "when the Lord shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his says of this class: "And God shall wipe away glory." Ps. 102: 16. We notice the costly buildings erected for public worship, and, wondering ask if their zeal in procuring such a costly array of finery in their churches, such great expenditures in dress and church equipments, will secure for them an inheritance in the coming kingdom of our Lord and Savior. The evidence is very plain and conclusive that they love this present world, and hear with sadness the tidglory of his Father, then shall we receive a They sleep on in peace and fancied security, ings that Christ is soon coming to earth again. while heaven and earth give signs of the "com-

and with them join in singing redemption's "love his appearing," From the language of song. This is the class that shall inherit the our Savior we may learn that he who will gain earth and delight themselves with the abun- an inheritance in the kingdom is "he who dodance of peace under the glorious reign of eth the will of our Father which is in heaven." But of the other class the Savior says: "De- the ancient heathen festival day as a day of rest part from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, in preference to his holy Sabbath, his rest day, his when he has said in language that can never be class have no hope in the future; they are withmisunderstood, "Remember the Sabbath day,
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and we may not be able to tell that they are two ent, life, every thing his, or we are none of his, certainly be numbered among those who will classes—that upon one is resting the peace of God and will not be owned of him in that great day, say in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prosider well our ways, believe on the Lord Jesus wonderful works? We might also turn our eyes Christ, strive daily and hourly to do his holy to our own ranks, our own church, and ask, Are will, that we may be of that class of whom it is we doing the will of our heavenly Father, by said, "For the Lamb which is in the midst of teaching that no one will, or can know even the the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them | year in which the Messiah will come? Who is to living fountains of waters, and God shall it that will not understand? "None of the wick. ed shall understand." Who will understand? "The wise shall understand." Daniel asks, "What shall be the end of these things?" and is told by the angel that "the wise shall understand." Shall we be numbered among the disputants of this truth? Are we at liberty to ignore the prophetic measurements? Should they be set aside as totally unworthy of the attention of people who are trying to grow in grace and in a knowledge of that truth which will make us wise unto salvation? If these great time measurements of the 12th of Daniel are not to be correctly understood by the people of God in the "time of the end," what is the inevitable conclusion? that so much of God's truth is meaningless and worthless, and not calculated to instruct the waiting people of God? As for me, I will search the Scriptures of truth to ascertain the time in which "he who is our life shall appear," believing that by so doing I will do the will of my Father in heaven.

In these last and perilous times when we are looking for the speedy return of that nobleman who has gone into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return, we are very likely to ask ourselves the question, "Lord who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?" We will let the Psalmist answer his own question: "He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor: in whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he that honoreth them that fear the Lord; he that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not; he that putteth not out his money to usury nor taketh reward against the innocent; he that doeth these things shall never be moved." Ps. 15. We would implore our brethien to arouse themselves and prepare to meet the Bridegroom. There is no time to be lost! Begin the work of preparation now, lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. He will soon, very soon, "come in the glory of his Father with his angels: and then he shall reward every man according to

Paul says they "shall be pumshed with ever-lasting destruction from the presence of the is to be far beyond the skies, when God has said, "The kingdom and dominion, and the greatness house may be filled." The evidences around us. John the revelator says, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast be given to the popula of the whole heaven, shall God is now doing its last to the spirit of the popula of the popula of the spirit of the popula of the popula of the popula of the spirit of the popula of not found written in the book of life was cast be given to the people of the saints of the Most God is now doing its last work. The tares are into the lake of fire," This, dear reader, is the High, whose kingdom is an everlasting king. fast ripening for the great harvest. The time

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To make things new and set things To renovate and to restore, As holy prophets told of yore.

The dead will rise at his command, All nations then before him stand One grand division he will make, The good from bad he'll separate.

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All creatures will in God rejoice, And sound his praise with cheerful voice;
O'er all the earth—a wide domain,— King Jesus will forever reign.

O let us each from day to day, The words of Jesus Christ obey; And ever strive by faith and prayer, That in his glory we may share.

Then in his kingdom saved from sin, We'll shout for joy and join to sing, Worthy the Lamb for sinners slain, To be exalted and to reign. Transit, Minn.

Report From Missouri.

In company with Bro. A. C. Leard we started Jan. 21st for Sullivan Co., Mo., and arrived there the 23rd. We were kindly received at the home of Bro. Gilbert Rogers. On our arrival runners were sent out notifying the people that there would be an Advent meeting that evening at the District School-house, and continue from night to night during the week. With a few hour's notice we had a good audience. Spoke on the Second Advent of Christ. The next day (Sunday) the house was occupied by the Methodist order. We attended the meeting and listened to the minister warning the little flock of the danger of being separated. The words 'impostors and wolf' were of frequent occurrence in his remarks. The meeting was opened by singing a hymn of which the following is a

"Thy little flock in safety keep, For Oh! the wolf is nigh."

We assisted in singing, making our own application of who the wolf really was. At the close of the meeting we announced our appointments and continued until Wednesday evening. when this same minister occupied the stand, and labored hard to establish the immortality of the soul. At the close of the meeting the audience was notified that the sermon would be reviewed the next evening, which was done, after which meetings until Feb. 7th, having delivered in all 16 sermons. Quite an interest was manifested during the meeting. The severe cold weather and sickness which prevailed greatly, detracted considerably from the interest; yet notwithstanding we closed with a good interest.

Nine individuals took a public stand in favor of the truth, covenanting to keep all of God's commandments. Bro. and Sister Rogers were deprived, on account of sickness, of being with us at the close of the meeting; yet they came to the conclusion of the wise man, "Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man." May the Lord bless them!

On the 8th of Feb. we commenced meeting at the Hallaburton School-house, three miles north of the first place. Here we were made welcome at the home of Bro. and Sister Brown, who have been living out the Sabbath truth, and have let their light shine in such a manner as to cause many to be anxious to hear more of this new doctrine. We continued the meeting one week, and had the glorious privilege of witnessing fifteen persons covenanting to keep all of God's commandments, the Sabbath included. ceive cold water.

to see an excellent church here. The distance Your brother in the Lord, they are apart will enable them to meet together on the Sabbath for worship. We received urgent calls from other places, but as we were absent from our families already longer than was intended, and as duty called us home, we DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS: I for the first closed the meeting, bid farewell, promising to time write a few lines through the ADVOCATE. visit them soon, which we purpose doing some- It has been three years since I started in the time in March. We arrived home Feb. 19th, service of the Lord, and do not feel like getting finding our families enjoying good health. We tired. I some times get out of the way, but my feel greatly encouraged in working for our heav. prayer is to God that I may overcome all my enly Master, and feel willing to enter the field sins and at last have an abundant entrance into as the way may open. We realize more fully God's everlasting kingdom. Your brother, than ever the shortness of time that we as a

people are giving the last warning to the world. Oh may we labor in earnest, realizing that

"Tis sweet to work for Jesus, There's resting by and by."

W. C. LONG.

Winstonville, Mo.

The Spirits in Prison.

"THE inhabitants of the antediluvian world, who, having been disobedient, and convicted of the most flagrant transgressions against God, were sentenced by his law, to destruction. But their punishment was delayed, to see if they would repent; and the long suffering of God waited one hundred and twenty years, which was granted to them for this purpose, during which-time, as criminals, tried and convicted, they were represented as being in prison, detained under the arrest of divine justice, which waited, either for their repentance or the expiration of their respite, the punishment pronounced might be inflicted. This I have long be i ved to be the sense of this difficult pass. age."-Dr. Adam Clark's Note on 1 Pet. 3: 19.

Again, says Dr. Clark: "The Greek word translated spirits, is supposed to render this view of the subject improbable, because this must mean disembodied spirits; but this certainly does not follow, for the spirits of just men made perfect, Heb. 12: 23, certainly means righteous men, and men still in the church militant; and the Father of spirits. Heb. 12: 9 means we continued unmolested. We continued our men still in the body; and the God of the spirits of all flesh, Num. 16: 22. 27: 16, means men not in a disembodied state."

Better Department.

From Sister Hinton.

DEAR BRO. BRINKERHOFF: I have had the privilege of reading the ADVOCATE, although I have not taken it myself; but I cannot have that privilege now, and I am lonesome without it, as we do not often have any preaching here. I am still striving in my weak way to gain a home in God's kingdom. I have many trials and many things to overcome, but I mean by the assisting grace of God to be an overcomer, for I know that none but the overcomer will have a right to the tree of life which is in the midst of the Paradise of God. Please send the paper and I will send the money for it soon. Your unworthy sister, MARY A. HINTON. Salem, Mich.

From Bro. Hinton.

DEAR BRO. BRINKERHOFF: I now for the The interest to hear was great. During the lat- first time write a few lines to you, now that I ter part of the meeting, the house was crowded have an interest in the coming of our Lord and to its utmost, some being unable to get on the Savior. I am trying in my weak way to keep inside, and others went home. We have never all the commandments of God, and I am fully seen people receive the truth more readily; they determined by the assisting grace of God to be seemed to receive it as a thirsty soul would re- an overcomer. Pray for me, brethren, that I may be able to stand and at last meet you all in We think the truth has brought out a good, God's everlasting kingdom on the earth made substantial, and reliable class of people in this new, when Jesus comes to call his children all vicinity, and with the blessing of God we hope home and crown them heirs of eternal life. MICHAEL HINTON.

Salem, Mich.

From Bro. Hinton.

JAMES A. HINTON,

be held responsible for his or her views of scripture. We hold ourself responsible only for editorials, selections, and comments.

READ carefully the article on the Last Seven Plagues and correlative prophecy; it is full of interest.

Casco, Mich. in the Stellar neighborhood, on Feb: 26th, was not received until after the issue of Feb. 16th was printed. The snow storms for some time previously had blockaded the railroads and delayed the mails. The appointment was not received until inine days after it was sent us by Bro. Case.

Questions and Answers.

BRO. BRINKERHOFF: As much has been said of it should be 'lordly day' it cannot have reference among the destitute there. to any particular day of the week, but would reword of God and testifying for Jesus Christ.

ALMON HALL. Respectfully yours, Transit, Minn.

REPLY. Having referred the above to Bro. I. N. Kramer he presents us the following answer to Bro. Hall's inquiry:

Kuriakos, according to the lexicons, signifies "concerning or belonging to a lord or master, particularly as belonging to the Lord." It occurs but twice in the New Testament, once in Rev. 1: 10, in the feminine gender agreeing with hemera, a feminine noun, signifying 'day,' and once in 1 Cor. 11: 20, in the neuter gender agreeing with dipnon. It is also used in the neuter form, with the article 'the' prefixed, to denote the Lord's house, in which case 'house' is understood, being partially implied by the prefixed neuter article.

If there be any reason why kuriakos should be translated 'lordly,' then the same reason would hold good in any other like situation. Thus if it be lordly day in Rev. it might with equal propriety be a lordly supper in 1 Cor., or a lordly house in the other use of it, thereby destroying its definite character. Thus if we speak of a lordly house, it is not definite, there are many lordly houses; or if we speak of a lordly supper, there are many great, grand, or lordly suppers and festivals; or if we speak of a lordly day, there are many great, memorable, or lordly days spoken of.

We do not see that Rev. 1: 10 need produce any difficulty in the Sabbath question. If it was the Lord's day then it was the day belonging to the Lord, and any child who reads the Bible can tell what day the Lord calls his own. If Bible be allowed to interpret Bible, the matter is plain. But if we call on the "fathers" to interpret it who is to interpret the fathers? If fathers interpret fathers they generally balance accounts and leave things as they found them. I. N. K.

A Proposition.

in three months; that is, I will send \$5 and ob-

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tain 5 paying subscribers beside, if enough will join with me to make the one hundred."

An appointment for Conference meeting in influence. At present receipts are small. Shall

SISTER Jane L. Madill, of Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, sends two dollars for the suffering in Kansas, to be forwarded to A. M. Brinkerhoff, and asks "how many of our Advent believers there are in Kansas, and if we know of any of them likely to suffer hunger. It is not right to let the righteous beg, but we are to let our requests be known."

There are a good many Advent believers in late in the papers about the 'Lord's Day' of Rev. Kansas and Southern Nebraska, we cannot tell 1: 10, I wish to inquire if 'Lord's day' is a proper | the number, most of them suffering more or less translation of the original. Some time since a privation, and as the weather has been severely correspondent in the Sabbath Recorder told its cold there as well as here, some have suffered readers that if properly translated it would read with the cold also. A. M. Brinkerhoff made a 'Lordly day.' If you have the means of know- statement of the general situation, and relief is ing, please inform me through the ADVOCATE needed by them to prevent suffering from actual which is the correct rendering of the original. If hunger. The ADVOCATE is sent to ten families

Besides the \$2 from Sr. Madill we have also refer, I suppose, to the whole time that John was a ceived for A. M. Brinkerhoff and forwarded to prisoner on the Isle of Patmos for preaching the him \$2 from Elisabeth Russell, \$1 from Abbie R. Prov. 11: 25, and the Psalmist said: "Blessed is he held on Sunday. that considereth the poor."

The Three Memorials.

I.—The Lord's Supper commemorates the death of Christ: "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come." 1 Cor. 11: 26.

II.—Baptism symbolizes the resurrection of good time praising the Lord. Christ from the tomb. The Baptism of the believer is his testimony to the fact that Jesus was buried, and that he rose from the dead: "Know ye not that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptised into his death." Rom. 6: 3-5. "Else what shall they do who are baptized for [the resurrection of] the dead." 1 Cor. 15: 29; Col. 2: 12; and Pet. 3: 20, 21.

III.—The Sabbath is the memorial of the creation of the heaven and the earth; and as such, is the enduring witness of God's appointing, against idolatry and atheism: "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and sea, and all that in them is, and rested on the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." Ex. 20: 11.—The Sabbath Memorial.

Where is Paradise?

Ir will be located on the renewed earth. Some say that Abraham's bosom is Paradise, but such a position is absurd. In Luke 23: 43 we read; 'And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee to-day, shalt thou be with me in Paradise." In 2 Cor. 12: 4, we read of a man in vision caught up The Second Coming of Christ,—Comprising the that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of BRO. E. B. Tucker, of Millbrook, Mich., propo- In Rev. 22: 2, we read: "In the midst of the ses to "be one of twenty to add \$100 to the fund street of it and on either side of the river was JOHN SCARCE. Garden Grove, Iowa.

Please Stop My---Paper?

"TIMES are hard, money is scarce, business is we commend Bro. Tucker's proposition to the consideration of the brethren. It would be a dull, retrenchment is a duty—Please stop my or times are not become an arrange of the brethren. great help to the cause, and give the ADVOCATE Whiskey? "O, no; times are not hard enough The editor of the Advocate does not hold himself responsible for the sentiments contained in the sentiments contai seif responsible for the sentiments contained in articles written for the paper. Each writer will which I wish to save Please stop my articles written for the paper. Each writer will which I wish to save Please stop my that interests of the paper are theirs. We know that which I wish to save. Please stop my-"tobac. in some places the brethren have done all they co, cigars, and snuff? "No, no, not these; but could, and showed their interest in the cause by I must retrench somewhere; please stop my their contributions. Some have donated individ- my-" ribbons, jewels, ornaments and trinkets? ually, some by the price of a day's work, and "Not at all; pride must be fostered, if times are some have pledged the same, all helping the cause ever so hard; but I believe I can see a way to to live; yet it needs a better standing and a wider effect quite a saving in another direction—please stop my-" tea, coffee, and needless and unhealthy luxuries? No, no, no; not those, I cannot think of such a sacrifice; I must think of something else. Ah! I have it now. My paper, costs \$1.50 per year; -I must save that. Please stop my paper! That will carry me through the panic easily. I believe in retrenchment, and economy, especially in brains."-Selected from the Christian with change of application, by J. M.

Appointments.

Quarterly Conference.

THE Third Quarterly Conference in the Second District of Mo. will be held at the Andrew's School-house, flye miles west of Grant City. Worth Co., commencing Friday night, April 9th, and will continue over the Sabbath and First-day. Dear brethren and sisters, a great work is being done within the limits of this Conference District; but it is the Lord's doings and is marvelous in our eyes. Come all in the Martin, and \$1 from James Cronk, all of Marion. name of the Lord. Come filled with the Spirit, Contributions from others here have been previ- prepared to work for the cause. Come praying ously sent to different ones in Kansas and Ne- that our labor may be crowned with success, braska. "The liberal soul shall be made fat," and God be glorified. Business meeting will be

H. R. PERINE. Secretary. Denver, Mo., Feb. 11th, 1875.

THE 3rd Quarterly Conference for the 1st Dist. will be held at Altavista, Daviess Co., Mo., commencing March 19th, 1875, and continue over Sunday. We extend a cordial invitation to brethren in the other Districts. Come and let us have a

W. C. Long, Sec'y.

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SAMUEL DAVISON.

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