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"that Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying  
Behold the Lord cometh with ten thousand of his saints, to exe-  
cute judgment upon all;" and in the prophet Zechariah, xiv. 5,  
when prophesying of Christ's appearance, when his feet shall  
stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, described in this  
chapter of the Apocalypse, "And the Lord my God shall come,  
and all the saints with thee." They were clothed in fine linen,  
white and clean; which has been explained (ver. 8) by the in-  
terpreting angel to mean the righteousness of saints. That the  
saints shall assist in that great day of wrath is evident from  
Psalm cl. 5—9: "Let the saints be joyful in glory; let them  
sing aloud upon their beds. Let the high praises of God be in  
their mouths, and a two-edged sword in their hands; to execute  
vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;  
to bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of  
iron; to execute upon them the judgment written: this honour  
have all his saints. Praise ye the Lord."

We have before observed, that, 15 *And out of his mouth  
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the word of God;" and again, Heb. iv. 12, "For the word of  
God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged  
sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit,  
and of joints and marrow." That such power of the sword of  
the Spirit, proceeding out of the mouth of Christ, is not limited  
to a spiritual meaning, we refer to St. John, xviii. 6, where it is  
recorded, that as soon as Christ announced himself to Judas, and  
the band who went out to take him, "they went backward and  
fell to the ground." "And he shall rule them with a rod of  
iron;" as it is declared in Psalm ii. 7, "Thou art my Son, this