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separate and distinct up to the time when they are to be restored to God's favour and to their own land. It is also very plainly shown that, instead of Israel being mixed up with the scattered Jews, or found in the midst of China or India, or stowed away no one knows where, Israel shall be found to be a Nation so powerful that the "House of Judah" will go to them, and "walk with them to the land of their fathers."

Already there are indications of the approach of the "Kingdom of God." Already little but increasing bands of men and women in various parts of the Empire of Britain are manifesting great reverence and regard for the Word of God. They have determined no longer to merit the reproach which the Redeemer applied to those with whom He had to deal. He called them "fools and slow of heart;" and what for? simply because they would not "believe *all* the prophets have spoken." Some ministers of Christ appear to think that their hearers are playing with edge tools or trifling with fire when they try to understand prophecy; but it is evident that Jesus Christ did not think so, or He would not have said, "If ye believe not Moses and the prophets neither will ye believe though one rose from the dead." A Christian is simply doing his duty in studying prophecy in connection with history; and as all prophecy in the past has been fulfilled by the development of history, and in the most convincing and literal manner, he cannot fail to understand it when the time is ripe. It is this implicit reliance upon the sure "Word of prophecy" that has caused the scales to fall from the eyes of some of God's people Israel. May the time speedily arrive when all shall see as clearly.

O welcome day when Christians as a body will begin to search the Scriptures for themselves, in humble dependence upon the "Spirit of truth," who is able to guide us into all truth. The "wondrous things" of God's Word will then be revealed to them, and many of the secret and deep things of God will greatly expand and enrich their mental vision.

But, alas! this glad epoch has not yet arrived! The great bulk of professing Christians as yet believe not Moses and the prophets. They are told by their unerring Guide that "every jot and tittle" of what the prophets have spoken must be fulfilled, and yet with strange persistency they promulgate doctrines which, if true, would show that the greater portion of the prophetic utterances are just so many words without meaning, or, if the words have a meaning, they dishonour God by the implication that He has not fulfilled, and never will fulfil, what He has promised over and over and over again. Thus (by their ignorance or unbelief) they make God do the very thing which He has said He never will do. Has God not said that He "is not a man that He should lie, nor the son of man that He should repent?" Has He not said, "So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void; but it *shall* accomplish that which I please, and shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Well might good King David say, concerning the perversity of man in this respect, "It is time for Thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void Thy law." The fact is, because God has seen fit to visit His people with a punishment of seven times' duration—extending over many centuries—men have been led to believe that God has not and never will fulfil His promises to His chosen people. They take not into account that a thousand years are but as one day with God. The term of punishment is very short in God's view; but in the estimation of man it is so long that men have come to the conclusion, and grown up in the belief, that God has cast off His people for ever, and this in face of God's repeated declarations that He "has not cast them off." Christians! go back to your Bibles determined to *believe every promise which the Lord your God hath given*. When God speaks once, that ought to suffice, for God is the God of truth.