

of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him (Christ) that sat on the horse, and against his army. And the Beast (Antichrist) was taken, and with him the False Prophet. . . These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, . . . and all the fowls were filled with their flesh." For further illustrations of the final overthrow of the wicked, see Isai. 63: 1-6; Jer. 30: 11; Ezek. 38th and 39th chapters; Dan. 2: 35, 44; 7: 9-27; Joel 1: 15; 2: 10-20; 3: 1-16; Zeph. 1: 14-17; 3: 8; Zech. 14: 1-14; 2 Thess. 1: 7-10; Jude 14th and 15th verses; Rev. 6th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 14th and 16th chapters. We wish the reader to peruse carefully these passages to which we have made reference, as they not only show, that all the wicked will be cut off previous to Messiah's Reign, but they also prove the utter absurdity of the popular theory now taught in the Churches, that the world is to be Evangelized previous to Messiah's Advent. The doctrine of the world's conversion, previous to the Reign of Christ, was wholly unknown to the Apostolic Fathers—was never taught by any of the Great Reformers; and we have no hesitation in saying, that it is nowhere taught in the Bible. Were they all converted in the days of Noah? Alas! no. Well then, "as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matt. 24: 37.

It is the opinion of several distinguished prophetic expositors, that the character who is to be manifested as the personal Antichrist,—and who is to play so conspicuous a part, during the awful Tribulation of the Last