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New Testament it is more fully and distinctly unfolded. And if we there read, that the Birth of Christ was announced by an Angel to the Shepherds of Bethlehem, as * "good tidings of great joy which should be to ali People;" if, at the same moment, in terms equally comprehensive, "a multitude of the Angelic Host" triumphantly proclaimed, + " Peace on earth, good-will towards Men;"-if the Baptist emphatically pointed to Jesus, as ‡ " the Lamb of God, which taketh away the Sin of the World;" -if the "Son of Man" himself explicitly declared, that he § " came to give his life a ransom for many," and that he would | " give his flesh for the Life of the World;"-if, at the last Supper, immediately before his Passion, he represented " " his blood as shed for many, for the remission of sins," and if, after his resurrection, when ** " all power had been given to him in heaven and in earth," he commanded that Tree Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his Name among all Nations;"-If again, the Apostles, after they had been fully "taught" by the Spirit, and "guided

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^{*} Luke ii. 10.

[†] Luke ii. 14.

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Matt. xx. 28. Mark x. 45.

^{||} John vi. 51.

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^{**} Matt. xxviii. 18.

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