

strument. It is by the wisdom and power of that mighty and merciful instrument that God and the Gospel will be revealed to man. I shall here insert a few passages of scripture to substantiate what I have advanced. Isaiah c. xi. v. 11—And it shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow unto it; c. 6, v. 3—And one cried unto another and said, holy! holy! holy! is the Lord of Hosts, for the whole earth is full of his glory; c. xi. v. 9—They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my Holy Mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea: and it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people. Such are the promises in the Gospel which remain to be fulfilled, and God will perform those promises. Sin hitherto has covered the earth as waters cover the sea, but the knowledge of the Lord was never yet known by man, neither was his glory known over all the earth—neither is the throne of David established—neither has he ever been the mighty councillor, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace; for unto us a child was born, unto us a son was given, and the government was on his shoulders upon the cross, but when did he establish his reign, yet these things remain to be accomplished. Now I would ask, how is God to reason with man? Is it not written, "Now let us reason together saith the Lord, for though your sins are as scarlet I will make them as wool, though they are as crimson I will make them as snow." How is God to plead with man, and bring them together in a low valley, as a body of one people? And how is the Holy Ghost to come and comfort us in his name, and bring all things to our remembrance? Or how is the Prince of this world to be judged, until revealed to us? And how is Satan to be cast down, or how is he to be chained down? And how is the second Adam to repair the loss of the first? And how are the nations to be healed? How is God's will to be done on earth as it is in heaven? And how will men be brought to a knowledge of the Lord and know him, from the greatest to the least, without the visitation of his spirit? Let those that reprove answer these questions. And let God be true, and every man a liar, that says God will not fulfil his Bible according to his promise. But how can men judge God—a God of truth? When did he come the Mighty Councillor, the Prince of Peace, the everlasting Father? When was the throne of David established? Or can God be the desire of every nation without his peaceable kingdom being made known, and how shall he be made known without the spirit of prophecy? or how shall his testimony be made known to man without his spirit to warn them? How can God be the true shepherd, if he does not take care of his sheep, but suffer an enemy to destroy them? How can the sheep know his voice, and follow him wheresoever he goeth, without his spirit to lead them. The gospel teaches us we must all come to the standard of the Church, because our prayers are to keep us from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism, and all contempt of his word and commandments. Now, to deny a further revelation or visitation of God's spirit, is no less than