

take refuge in the dispensation of Grace then commencing? A position of grace was offered once to the Jews in *Exodus* xix. 6, but they chose to take upon themselves the responsibility of obeying those laws which God might give them; we see how utterly incapable they were to do this in *chapter* xxxii., where they are seen dancing around a golden calf!! as their delivering god, having already—in less than six weeks!!—forgotten that Jehovah, who had performed such miracles for them in bringing them out of Egypt, as well as their own promise to obey law, which proved to be a ministration of death to them (*2 Corinthians* iii. 7).

Grace is now offered to the Gentiles, and they also in these days are mostly following the example of the Jews, in placing themselves under the Law, and the same result awaits them as is written in *Romans* xi. 22; they will be judged, and the Jews will again be grafted in: and when so regaining God's favour, and the kingdom of Christ is set up, they will then carry out that commission given in *Matthew* xxviii., and will be the only truly appointed Missionaries to effect a general, but not the universal conversion of the Nations as is mostly believed (see *Revelation* xx. 8, 9). These days are times of witnessing the Gospel among the Nations, rather than converting them (*Matthew* xxiv. 14). To expect the conversion of the Heathen now, is an unscriptural expectation. The present position of the world is that seen in *Isaiah* lii. 5, Christ does not yet sit on the throne of David, but when the saints of God come with Him to judge the Earth (*Jude* 14, 15), we shall with Him REIGN OVER the Nations, which will then be universally baptized according to *Matthew* xxviii., a far more exalted position than only being among them, which would have been our place had that commission been already carried out.

By the rejection of grace, the Jews forfeited