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"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God."
"This is love, that we walk after his commandments."

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THE 'PROPHETIC EXPOSITOR' AND KINGDOM OF CHRIST.

In one of our early Numbers for the current year, we copied a few words from our friend the 'Expositor,' of Rochester, which brought to us the startling intelligence that a gentleman had embraced "the gospel preached to Abraham." Upon this we offered a word of comment. We doubted if this gentleman, like Abraham, was promised, he and his children, the land of Canaan as an inheritance, and likewise doubted that in him, as in Abraham, all nations should be blessed. A correspondent of the 'Expositor' takes up the three sentences we uttered relative to this remarkable gospel heard and received by a gentleman in America, and this correspondent, in his persevering zeal, treats us to something like fourteen columns in the 'Expositor' in review of what we affirmed on the subject, our friend taking the position that every man who is saved must hear, believe, and receive the gospel that God preached to the father of Isaac.

Our friend's review, lengthy though it is, may be answered in one sentence. God preached glad tidings to Abraham; he preached glad tidings to the sons of Abraham in the days of Moses; he preached glad tidings to the people of Judea at the end of the Jewish age by the Harbinger John; he preached glad tidings to all nations by chosen heralds at the beginning of the Christian dispensation;—and while good news from heaven was in every instance announced, yet the tidings in every case differed,—for God himself preached to Abraham, and gave him promises given to no other man upon the footstool, before or since; the preaching to the Israelites was by Moses, and the tidings to them,