

the bondage of error, and information not only augmented but extended to all community." Now I would ask, how is this to be done? Certainly if we believe that gospel which you profess to vindicate, by man it cannot be performed; for no man by wisdom can find out God to perfection; and does not that gospel state that in the latter day the wisdom of the wise should perish, and the understanding of the prudent man should be hid, it points out most clearly as I shall proceed to shew, that the Holy Ghost, the comforter proceeding from the Father and the Son, should visit us in the latter day and bring all things to our remembrance, and that we should all be taught of God, that God who alone can teach and enlighten us; therefore, to preach any other doctrine is to blind men's eyes and lead them from the truth; there is a sin which God has declared he never will forgive in this world, nor that which is to come, that is, the sin against the Holy Ghost. Now, how can man sin against the Holy Ghost? If the Holy Ghost is not sent to visit us, yet this in the blindness of men's hearts, or through spiritual pride they will not acknowledge or impress upon the minds of Christians.* Behold the day is come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the House of Judah. Not according to the covenant that I made with their Fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord. But this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel; after those days saith the Lord I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people: and they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saith the Lord, for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquities, and I will remember their sin no more. Saint Paul to the Hebrews, 8th c. 8th to 13th v. confirms the same thing. Now mark, these are God's promises. Can the Gospel perform these promises of itself? Certainly not, they are to be accomplished by the power of the Holy Ghost. How then can men preach any other doctrine than a further revelation from God? The Apostles themselves looked for a further revelation, when imperfection was done away with, and when they were to be redeemed, and when God was to be revealed to man. No soul breathing, with all his learning, can explain the Bible unassisted by God, which hereafter I will prove to you most incontestibly. You proceed further to state that all nations will be under the dominion of God's Son—granted; and that that instrument is the pure gospel preached by the Apostles; but then you frame an erroneous opinion of that gospel, as that gospel will shortly verify when the spirit from on high shall visit us as is promised in this the latter day. You confess that the gospel of no sect can convert the world. True. No, not even the Gospel of God, until the glorious light from on high enlightens our dark and benighted minds. The Gospel is the standard, and the Holy Ghost proceeding from the Father and the Son the in-

* Ezekiel xi. 19-20; xxxvi. 25, 26; Jeremiah xxxi. 31.