

Moses' writings are attributed to him ; next, it is declared he wrote of Christ, of Jesus ; thirdly, his writings are spoken of, and, because they are *writings*, as of superior authority, as far as form goes, to Christ's *words*. If, therefore, we do not receive his writings, Christ's words have no authority—Christ made a mistake as to his writing of Him—His whole interpretation of Scripture is unfounded—His estimate of Himself is false as the object of this testimony. Who can guarantee its being well-founded on any other ground? He supposed God's mind was in the written word ; the modern doctrine makes this a mistake—He was not the object of Moses' writings—nor did Moses write them !

Who can tell then that there was a Christ to come? or if Jesus was not the subject of this testimony, He was, if there was any such testimony, deceived as to Himself. The whole authority of Christ and His words is gone—as to God's mind and as to Himself. Christianity and Christ Himself are without foundation. For if Christ's own testimony is unfounded and Moses' too as to Him—or rather, if there is none such, as Christ supposed there was—what foundation have I for anything in Christianity as a revelation of the mind of God and of His Son as the truth ?

Again He says, on the most solemn occasion as to the repentance or ruin of the Jews. "They have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them." All this was misleading—they were not authentic.