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rist in this n; but they took no notice either of his name, country, or good or ill success. Here we may observe, that no less than ten false Christs arose in the 12th century, and brought prodigious calamities and destruction upon the Jews in various parts of the world.

17. In the year 1497 we find another false Christ whose name was Ishmael Solphus, who deluded the Jews in Spain. He also perished and as many as believed in him were dispersed.

18. In the year 1500, Rabbi Lemlem, a German Jew of Austria, declared himself a forerunner of the Messiah. He pulled down his own oven and promised his brethren that they should bake their bread in the Holy land next year.

19. In the year 1509, one whose name was Plefferkorn, a Jew of Cologn, pretended to be the Messiah; he afterwards affected, however, to turn Christian.

20. In the year 1534, Rabbi Salomo Malcho, giving out that he was the Messiah, was burnt to death by Charles the 5th, of Spain.

21. In the year 1615 a false Christ arose in the East Indies and was greatly followed by the Portuguese Jews who were scattered over that country.

22. In the year 1624, another in the low countries pretended to be the Messiah, of the family of David and of the line of Nathan. He promised to destroy Rome and overthrow the kingdom of Antichrist and the Turkish empire.

23. In the year 1666 appeared the false Messiah, Zabathai Izevi, who made so great a noise and