

ganda of peace; and that it was to be an indication that the church should at that very moment be on the threshold of the tumult and the tribulation which eventuate in the coming of the Lord, himself.

He says:

"When they shall say peace and safety: then sudden destruction cometh upon them."—I. Thessalonians, 5:3.

With this preparation for war and the anticipative cry for peace is the significant fact, that the Jews in large numbers are returning to Palestine. Zionism is no longer a mere sentiment, it is becoming each day a mightier factor in the world's politics; and when it is remembered that one of the first acts of the revived Roman empire will be to throw the land of Palestine open to the Jews and reconstitute the kingdom of Judah, it is evident that the outlines of coming events are casting their deepening shadows before.

To those who think and reflect, it is a wonderful re-setting of the ancient scene.

Look at it!

Rome—Caesar—Judea a protectorate of Rome. Judea once more paying tribute to Caesar.

The stage set just as it was when the Son of God came into the world the first time.

The special significance of these things to the Christian may be seen by reading the following passage: