

## CHAPTER XIV.

### THE MANNER IN WHICH THE WORLD AND WORLDLY CHURCHES REGARD HIS COMING.

A MORE unpopular doctrine and one which is regarded with more indifference by the great mass of professing Christians than this one would be hard to find. In view of the deplorable lack of vital godliness everywhere prevailing, no wonder that such should be the case.

Henry J. Hill, in his instructive book, "The Seven Golden Candlesticks," says: "The two classes of ministers which the Saviour foretold would immediately precede His second advent are now fully manifest in the Church---the one preaching it as nigh at hand, the other saying that it is to be delayed. The Saviour, after having stated many things which would immediately precede His second advent, says, concerning ministers: 'Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to smite his fellow-servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; the lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, and shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and