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IV. The termination of the Messianic covenant.

At the time of Satan's defeat the mediatorial system ends.

"Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.-And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all." (1. Cor. xv. 24, 28.) When, at the close of the millennium, Christ will have raised the bodies of men from the grave, and thus will have become not only our "wisdom, righteousness and sanctification," but also our "redemption," then, as mediator, he will have performed his whole work for man; and will then vacate the mediatorial throne. All things will be subdued to him, all enemies put under his feet, even the last enemy, death; and then will he, as it were, resign his commission into the hands of his Father; and, as Son, resume the position which he held from all eternity as it respects his relation to the Trinity; and then God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit will be all, entire, in all things and places, without the intervention of a medium. By raising all mankind from the dead,