

hearken to the modern 'critic' when he tells us that the endeavour to find Messianic prophecies in the Old Testament, in the sense in which Christ and His Church understood the phrase, is an illusion of the past? We cannot serve two masters; either we must believe that in the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah we have a real portraiture of Christ, or else that Christ was mistaken, and that the portraiture was only read into the chapter in later days. The words of Canon Liddon in reference to the critical theory of the origin of the Pentateuch still hold good: 'How is such a supposition reconcilable with the authority of Him who has so solemnly commended to us the Books of Moses, and whom Christians believe to be too wise to be Himself deceived, and too good to deceive His creatures?'