

As there is nothing really new or different in account Mark 13 and Luke 21, that is not touched upon in Matt. 24, we shall pass them over for brevity, recommending Dr. Adam Clarke's Commentary to our readers on this point.

Our readers will observe a striking resemblance between those calamities in the gospels which we have just been considering, and the prophetic accounts of Daniel, Zephaniah, Joel and Malachi.

We are fortunate in having the work of Josephus still at hand and as he was an eye-witness, his words are invaluable on this occasion. Josephus says : "If all the calamities which the world from the beginning hath seen were compared with those of the Jews, they, (those of the world) would appear inferior."

Of the signs which preceeded the destruction of Jerusalem, Josephus says : "Thus there was a star resembling a sword, which stood over the city, and a comet that continued a whole year. Thus, also, when the people were come up in great crowds to the feast on the eighth day of the month, at the ninth hour of the night so great a light shone round the altar, and the holy house, that it appeared to be bright day time; which light lasted half an hour. At the same feast also a heifer brought forth a lamb in the midst of the temple, as she was led by the high priest to be