

light,* and no further developement is to be expected. I hold it preferable, therefore, in pursuing the investigation on which we have now entered, to appeal, for the most part, to the authority of the New Testament. Illustrations may be gathered from other portions of the Word of God; but the clear and decisive statements by which the controversy is to be settled, must necessarily be sought for in the book of the new dispensation. By adopting this course we shall be spared the trouble of correcting the numerous misapprehensions that prevail respecting the meaning of certain passages in the Psalms and the Prophets, which are commonly adduced by the advocates of error."

This position of the Doctor's we must object to, for if "God *only* can answer" the question under consideration, we claim for Him the right to speak by whom He pleases, whether by Moses, the Prophets, or the sweet Singer of Israel. "Holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit," and their testimony is just as valid as that of Paul, Peter, or any other of the writers under the "new dispensation;" and as to the Doctor's plea that he shall be "spared the trouble of correcting the numerous misapprehensions that prevail respecting the meaning of certain passages in the Psalms and the Prophets, which are commonly adduced by the advocates of error," let him not for a moment urge it. If he is "set for the defence of the Gospel," let him to his task manfully, and "shun not to declare the whole counsel of God" on this important question. If men do not understand the "*meaning*" of the passages referred to, so much more need is there that he should let *his* light shine on those very texts! Who can say but that he may be the honored instrument of enlightening the understanding of those "advocates of error," and bringing them to the knowledge of the truth!! It has been the case in all past time that honest, and even *pious* men, have unwittingly advocated error,—and so, perhaps, at the present. Convince such men of their error, and they will turn from it; denounce and ridicule them, and you may confirm them in it. The Doctor adds:—

"Let us place ourselves at the feet of the Lord Jesus, and listen to His words, and to the words of His servants, who wrote under the inspiration of the promised Spirit."

To this we add our hearty Amen, merely suggesting that "whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning," and that "all Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for

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