Christ, and that this blessing will be manifested through a kingdom of which he will be king—the kingdom of God. A participation in the inheritance, glory, honor, and immortality of that kingdom is what is now offered to the Gentiles on condition of their believing the things concerning it and the name of Jesus Christ testified in the scriptures. The baptism of such a believer into the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, constitutes him one of Abrahams seed and an here according to the promise.

There is then no ground for your assertion that the gospel preached to Abraham is different from that preached by the apostles ; and the unanswered arguments of the previous article prove that the gospel which begun to be preached in the province of Galilee *was the gospel* preached in Jerusalem after Jesus was raised · from the dead.

Yours respectfully.

GEO. L. SCOTT.

Paris, July, 1855.

It seems that our earnest friend, Mr. G. L. Scott, labors under the impression that we failed to keep to the point in offering a very brief reply to his former letter ; but if he will re-peruse our remarks, exercising a little candor and taking to himself a good touch of Bible common sense, he will find that our response, short as it was, replies both to his former and present letter.

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THE TEXT SYSTEM.

[From the Christian Baptist.

The scrap doctors or text expositors have not only very generally obscured the words they proposed to illustrate, but they have made their office accessible to every novice, and introduced a band of "public preachers" that are a disgrace to the age in which we live. Any body with, or without common sense, can become a scrap doctor. A man that can neither read nor spell can " preach a sermon *on* a text, or preach *from* a text." I am authorized to state, as a well attested fact, that, not long since, a certain textuary did take for his text the words of a wicked man, found in Matthew 25 : the false accusation of the wicked servant who told his lord—" You are an austere man." This was the text. The preacher could not