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WITH

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PREFACE.

Most of these proposed Renderings of the Hebrew and Greek of various passages of the Old and New Testament have already appeared in the "Christian Annotator" and other Periodicals. They are now submitted, with deference, to the judgment of wise and learned Brethren, with a few slight alterations, in a more regular and connected manner.

The Author humbly trusts that he has been guided by the Spirit of truth, and that his single aim and earnest desire has been to uphold the truth of God's Word in its integrity and purity. And therefore he has been careful to state plainly the grounds on which his proposed Renderings rest, and to adduce satisfactory evidence from the context, parallel places, and general Scripture analogy, so as to enable the reader to judge of the validity of any proposed Rendering.

The Samaritan Pentateuch has been much underrated and neglected by commentators and learned critics. But it is well known by those who have carefully and candidly examined it, that it is a most valuable auxiliary in affording many important corrections, and supplying innumerable omissions of the common Masoretic Hebrew text. I would therefore beg the reader's special attention to my remarks upon the Samaritan Pentateuch (p. 9), and to various instances where it affords important corrections of the Hebrew text. (See pp. 8-11, 14, 16, 17.)

Next in usefulness to the Samaritan Codex are the Syriac and Septuagint versions.

I will now briefly refer to some of the more important and difficult passages which I have endeavoured, by a careful examination of the original Hebrew and Greek, to explain and illustrate.

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