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"Seek ye out of the book of the Lord and read."—Isaiah 55:10: 1A.

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THE honored author of this book has commissioned the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago to send copies gratuitously to ministers missionaries and theological students, especially in his own dearly-loved Methodist Episcopal Church. For sixty-four years he has been a member of that church, and for a good part of the time one of its most fruitful local preachers. How the Lord has used him in its activities at home and abroad will make a rich chapter in its history when the record of these years is set down.

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The book speaks for itself. Its treasures are beyond estimate. Its careful and prayerful reading and study will bring the richest blessing to the soul.

JAMES M. GRAY.

Chicago, October, 1916.

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The book, "Jesus is Coming," by W. E. B., was the first book that made the coming of Jesus Christ a living reality to me. I had already become convinced that our Lord's coming would be before the millennium, having reached that conclusion in studying the works of the Danish theologian, Martensen, but it was merely a theological conception until I read the book "Jesus is Coming." It was this that first brought me to definite convictions and made the doctrine not only clear, but very precious. It is one of the books that has had a decidedly formative influence on my life and teaching. I always recommend it to those who are beginning the study of the subject. I hope that it may be as much blessed to others as it has been to me.

R. A. TORREY,

Dean, Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Cal.

A number of years ago I had placed in my hands the little book, "Jesus is Coming," by W. E. B. Prior to that time I had no defined method of Bible study, and I confess with shame that I had very little passion for Bible reading and for the winning of souls.

This book completely revolutionized my thinking, gave me a new conception of Christ and a new understanding of what it meant to work for Him. I most cordially commend it to Christian workers everywhere.

J. WILBUR CHAPMAN,

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To my Brethren in
The Christian Ministry,
Dearly Beloved:

Having found in over forty years' experience the "Blessed Hope" of our Lord's return to be a most precious influence in my Christian life, promoting holiness, consecration of time and substance, and intense activity in our Master's service, I humbly commend it to each of you for personal comfort, and as meat in due season to preach to your congregations.

Let me emphasize the plain exhortations of the Holy Spirit,—"These things speak" Titus 2:15; "Comfort one another with these words" 1 Thes. 4:18.

Oh! Brethren! There are tens of thousands sitting under your ministry who would be comforted by the simple testimony of the Scriptures on this all important subject.

Thank God there are many who do exalt this truth, but how it must grieve the Master to see the multitude of preachers who are indifferent to his promised return, and eliminate the "comfort" which he has commanded and which the masses need.

Thirty-nine years ago I was providentially led to issue the first edition of "Jesus Is Coming," which has been followed by numerous editions totaling over three hundred and fifty thousand copies with translations into twenty-five different languages encircling the world.

Most rapturously do I praise our coming Bridegroom that he has let his "errand boy" have so wide a testimony.

With all my heart in this my seventy-sixth year do I implore you to read this book. Many have testified that it has made the Bible a new book to them. May it be so to you, and may we all, some day, rejoice together with Luther, Melancthon, Calvin, Knox, and the Wesleys, singing Charles' beautiful hymns as a welcome to our descending Lord.

Yours in patient waiting.
5425 Pasadena Ave., WM. E. BLACKSTONE.
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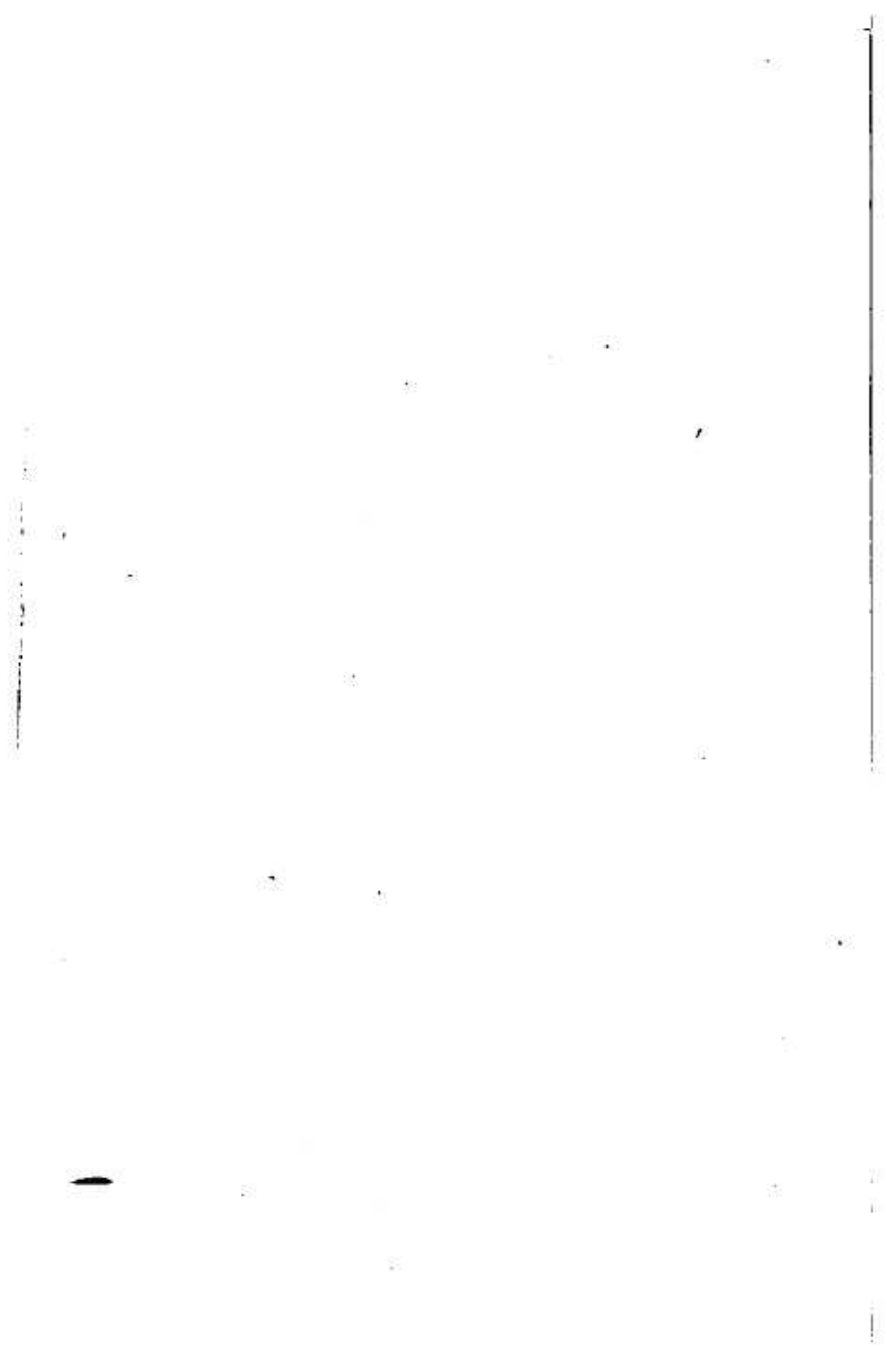
Lol He comes, with clouds descending,
Once for favored sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending,
Swell the triumph of his train;
Hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing
Shall the true Messiah see.

All the tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshipers;
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars.

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,
High on thy eternal throne;
Savior, take the power and glory;
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
Jah! Jehovah!
Everlasting God, come down!

—Charles Wesley.



Preface to the Third Revision.

We dedicate this book to those who "love our Lord's appearing." It has been our prayerful desire to furnish, in abbreviated form, a hand book that might serve as a convenient reference in the study of this truth, and as an aid in the presentation of it to others.

We gratefully acknowledge the blessing of God, which has rested upon it so that it has passed through many editions and also been issued in twelve foreign languages.* We have no desire for controversy, but have only sought to testify our convictions regarding the scriptural importance of this subject, and to aid candid inquirers in obtaining "like precious faith with us." After continued, earnest and prayerful study, we are more than ever confirmed in the faith that Christ's coming will be pre-millennial, and this all important point we would emphasize, if possible, with the zeal and earnestness manifested by the early disciples, who repeatedly taught us to look for Jesus. Phil. 2:20; Tit. 2:13; Heb. 9:28; 3 Pet. 3:14.

We would not be dogmatic concerning the order of events which cluster about our Lord's return and, should any hold views different from what we have set forth as the result of our study, we will cordially strike hands with them if we may unite upon the great fact that His return will be pre-millennial and that the time of it is uncertain and imminent (Matt. 24:42); and further that this hope ("Blessed Hope," Tit. 2:13) begets a purifying separating power in the heart, winning us unto holiness, love and service.

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

"Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it."
1 Thes. 5:23-24.

For the kind criticism and helpful suggestions of brethren dearly beloved—we express our sincere thanks, and we humbly pray for the continued blessing of "the Coming One."

W. E. B.

* Now twenty-five foreign languages.