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## INTRODUCTION

In the investigation of the events, of the last days of Jesus of Nazareth, it will be found that the scriptures do not agree with the assumed popular theories, that are usually taught and published to the world. And it is a difficult task to remove a long established theory, however false, and substitute the truth, especially in religious matters.

If the writer followed the usual line of interpretation, his conclusions would reach no farther than the flagrant errors, which have long perplexed the mind of the student. Therefore, it has been his endeavor to closely follow the scriptures in the investigation of subjects under consideration. For the scriptures alone can remove difficulties, and bring to the mind the true light leading to a correct interpretation.

There is much so-called scientific discussion, concerning the events of Passion week; and in the various conclusions, there is shown a dearth and confusion of scriptural evidence. However, theologians have made earnest effort to explain their theories, and persuade themselves of the correctness of their conclusions. If we would seek knowledge beyond the sacred truths revealed to us, we grope in the dark, and both language and thought fall us. We have reached the limit of finite knowledge: Therefore, let us earnestly contend for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints. As Bible students we should allow the word of God to interpret itself and to reach correct conclusions must have a clear conception of all the facts, connected with the events under discussion. Therefore facts which have been neglected by the teacher, and distorted by the critic, are

emphasized by frequent repetition, that the reader may be awakened to the truth. It has been said: "You must insist on an idea or fact, if you want to get anywhere with it." The purpose of the writer has been to present a lesson that would remove accepted false teachings of past ages, and establish truth instead.

The scriptures pertaining to the last days of Jesus are fundamental, and should be well understood by all. His coming into the world, and His going out, are important questions, but many teachers show a careless indifference to the scriptures concerning these events, and frequently declare that a knowledge of this Divine testimony is non-essential to the plan of salvation.

"I will never forget thy precepts; through thy precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way" (Psalm 119).

## THE DIVINE KEY

"For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth" (Matthew 12:40).

"In the evening of the Sabbath, as the first of the week was beginning, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre" (Matt. 28:1).

The Divine Key is the word of God. It is the key to knowledge, and reveals the truth; which in fulfilment demonstrated its power to be infinite and unlimited. It is the only key to the time-lock of three days and three nights which Jesus placed on the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.

Receive this key, not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God. It will dispel the dark clouds of error, and open the blind eyes; and when the mists of perplexity and doubt have vanished, we shall behold no man save Jesus only—and His word.



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