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PREFACE.

THESE papers are reprinted from the columns of the *Record*. They aim at setting forth the bearing of the Lord's Incarnation on His authority as a Teacher. They also touch on the great question concerning the Old Testament which is agitating so many minds. The literary side of this question has been dealt with in some measure by the author in "The Foundations of the Bible."¹ There were some points discussed by the critics which seem to be closed by the decisive utterances of the Lord Jesus, consequently it is of vital importance to weigh and estimate His authority; and this is what is now attempted.

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CHAPTER I.

THE QUESTION STATED.

THE fundamental truth of Christianity is, that the invisible God has been manifested, unveiled, and made known to man in the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. As we turn over the pages of the Gospels we feel that Light has come into the world. The entrance of Christ upon the scene was like the rising of the sun. However much men knew of God before through the testimony of conscience, through the witness of reason, and through the announcements contained in the Old Testament, the world was practically in the dark; the nations lay in darkness and in the shadow of death. But now the darkness is past, and the true light shineth. It seems to have been the special mission of the Beloved Disciple to set forth this. He tells us that "no