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PREFACE.

It was the intention to issue the following treatise without offering any apology, or assigning any reasons for its publication ; but the counsel of others have induced a brief statement.

Among the reasons which have prompted the present work are, first: A desire to give publicity to views which are conscientiously believed to be a part, and a very important part of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The fact that others differ from us in this conviction, and believe that no good can result from the spread of these views, cannot alter our own long-pondered, and long-cherished persuasion; any more than the fact that many differ with us in respect to the importance of the doctrines of grace, can diminish our solemn conviction of their essential character. Another reason for the appearance of the present work, is the inquiry often made within the circle of the author's acquaintance and

influence, what is millenarianism? Not knowing of any single work which was adapted to give a clear and connected view of the whole subject, to those who have not the time or means to read and investigate extensively, the author has undertaken, in compliance with the wishes of his own people especially, to answer the question as he believes it is generally held. The work, therefore, is not designed to be critical, but mostly biblical—answering the title assumed, *Millenarian Views with Reasons derived from the Scriptures for receiving them.*

But these considerations might never have given birth to this work, had it not been for the repeated misrepresentations made through the press and other channels. We do not accuse our brethren of any thing intentionally unjust or unkind. No doubt they have stated what they supposed to be the truth, but their misapprehensions, and misstatements are none the less painful on this account, or injurious to our standing and influence. We have so often been placed in a false and painful position, and so many suspicions have been excited, that we have been compelled to write in defence of the truth, and ourselves.

Can we be expected to remain silent, when what we hold as sacred and precious, is misrepresented and ridiculed? If we are in error we desire to be convinced; but then, those who would effectually convince us of our sin, must first be sure that they understand our views—must view and state them as we do, and then must kindly and charitably meet our arguments as presented. It is the hope of the author, that truth and charity may result from these pages.

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