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PREFACE.

The Blood Bought and Blood Washed Believers in OUR LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST can rest assured that all the Prophecies in the Old and New Testaments not yet fulfilled, shall yet be fulfilled in the most literal manner, to the most minute detail as recorded. When a prophecy has been fulfilled we can rest assured that the occurrence as predicted in the WORD has come to pass in a manner that leaves no room for dispute.

At the first coming of OUR LORD to this Earth—(The Merchantman seeking Pearls of great price who when he found one did give up "his all" to purchase that Pearl) His every step, as it were, from Cradle to Resurrection was fulfilling prophecies that had been blazoned on Jewish Sacred pages many a century before. His birthplace—His Boyhood and early manhood's home—His miracles—His rejection—His scourging—dividing His raiments—the casting lots for His vesture—His infamous death—His burial—all prophecied about—and all fulfilled to the letter. Now, if hundreds of prophecies have been literally fulfilled to the jot and tittle, why should we doubt the literal fulfillment of other predictions spoken of and recorded by the very same Prophets of God?

It is sad to think that some of the best and noblest Christians in their endeavor to prove the destruction of Babylon as recorded in the Old Testament, in their pious anxiety to justify the words of God to men—in their attempt to steady the tottering Ark of JEHOVAH—have in a manner given new life to some of the oldest heresies of the early Church. With their "looseness" of interpretation they have given the Infidel just cause to laugh at such fulfillment, and thereby to despise

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"*this Book of Old Jewish Myths*"; aye, and in their pious ignorance of the actual condition of Babylon, and the Chaldean plains, they have put on record a so-called fulfilment utterly false in the face of present facts. And also from their pious spiritualizing—this foolish helping out of God from His difficulties—they have given birth to a school of most pernicious and God dishonoring interpretations of The Blessed Word—Such Spiritualizing forces Honest Common Sense (without the enlightenment of the new birth) to become a despiser of a Book that may mean this, or that, or anything a fervid imagination may conceive.

When we read of certain predictions recorded against a certain City—and details therein set forth that were to happen, why should we take certain phrases and say "literally fulfilled"—and gloss over and ignore other details which we can readily prove were not fulfilled? The Words of God are to be taken in the most literal sense unless it can be clearly seen the words are uttered as a parable or symbol. The Words of God were spoken for the enlightenment of The Spiritual man—the one born to God in second birth—and tho' some utterance now seem dark and mysterious we can rest assured that some day we will see them fulfilled as predicted.

When therefore God says of Babylon, the proud City of the Chaldean plain—the spot where first organized opposition against God took place after the flood—that:

1. "*And Babylon, the Glory of the Kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.*"

2. "*It shall never be inhabited.*"

3. "*Neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.*"

4. "*Neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there.*"

5. "*Neither shall the shepherds make their folds there.*"

6. "*It shall be no more inhabited forever.*"

7. "*No man shall abide there.*"

8. "*Neither shall any son of man dwell therein.*"

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9. "Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed."

10. "To make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant."

11. "And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner nor a stone for foundations but thou shall be desolate forever, saith the LORD."

12. "Her cities are Desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither does any son of man pass thereby."

After reading the above verses from the Word let us read the unimpeachable testimony of Professor D. V. Hilprecht, in a publication dated October 6th, 1900: "Before Professor Hilprecht left Babylonia, he accepted a cordial invitation from the German Expedition working at Kuwairah, a small Arab village on the Euphrates, beautifully situated between the palm groves at the foot of the ruins which cover Nebuchadnezzar's palace in ancient Babylon." This is a flat contradiction of the above verses marked 1 to 8 inclusive. Again Professor Hilprecht: "The expectations that interesting treasures of art would be discovered in the interior of the palace have not been realized, the history of Babylon's GRADUAL DECAY being unfavorable to such expectations." Flatly contradicting verses No. 9 and No. 10—as the decay was gradual, not suddenly. Again Professor Hilprecht: "According to my conviction, based upon a study of the inscriptions and repeated visits to the different groups representing what is left of Nebuchadnezzar's splendid residence, the famous sanctuary of Babylon must be sought in the most northern ruin of the whole complex called today Babil, which for many centuries has served as the almost inexhaustible quarry for public and private buildings from the embankments of the Tigris opposite Bagdad to the modern structures of the Hindiya canal and in the town of Hilla." A flat contradiction of verses No. 11 and No. 12.

Now, we see no reason to doubt for one instant the veracity

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of such writers as Captain Frank Burnaby, in his ride through Asiatic Turkey, and John Punnett Peters (and other well known men) in that interesting book "Nippur." Such reliable testimony flatly contradicts the utter desolation of Babylon of the land of Chaldea as recorded in God's Holy Word. What, then, as God must be true—are we forced to the conclusion, such men are liars?—Is it not the better part of faith and common sense to come to the one inevitable conclusion, no matter if whole Libraries of writings by Schoolmen made rubbish by such confession—that God's Word cannot be false and that Babylon of the Chaldees is yet to be destroyed as God has spoken by the mouth of His Holy Prophets? For no believer in the Lord Jesus Christ can hold with the utterly Blasphemous ideas now prevalent in the Broad Church, both in England and America—and alas, in many, very many, of the so-called Orthodox pulpits—that such predictions were highly colored poetical fancies—the glowing hyperbolical brilliancy of the Oriental mind.

We can without a hesitancy of a doubt say—If such has not been fulfilled it will most assuredly as God liveth be fulfilled in the coming future. God's Word has never failed. God's Word has never been broken. Then as a certain definite doom has been recorded by God against Babylon, and as we can readily prove by a hundred creditable witnesses that such predictions have not been fulfilled in the first destruction of Babylon, we can say with unfaltering trust: Babylon of the Chaldees shall rise from her ruins, shall deck herself in a glory of Gold and Splendor of which we have as yet little conception, shall be the Commercial Mart of the then newly risen Roman Empire—if not the world—that one may yet stand on roof of one of her palaces, read the 18th chapter of Revelations, Spread abroad his hands, and exclaim: Every word uttered two thousand years ago stands fulfilled to the jot and tittle.

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shipped as God—We know one-third of the heavenly host followed his standard of Rebellion, and we know that over one-half of the Inhabitants of the Earth are worshipping him by the various forms of idolatry. But his most daring wish is to be worshiped by the most intelligent and enlightened nations of the world. And as the "most scholarly" Professors in our various Christian Colleges and Universities are now busily casting discredit on the words of even JEHOVAH CHRIST himself—notably in the matter of Jonah, the Prophet, for if that record is false—so is CHRIST's resurrection from the dead. We may safely say that the product of such teaching turned loose on the common people will show in the next generation a goodly crop of Word Despisers—and so preparing the General Public to be ready victims when God will withdraw His outraged Grace, and permit the strong delusion to settle on man's mind, so that they will believe "*The Lie!*" Lucifer has very ambitious designs, and it seems The Chaldean Plains have ever been in his mind as the stage on which his infernal Drama should be revealed. He was once foiled at Babel in this intent—but there is coming a day, known only to God, when Satan's designs shall blossom to a head. Babylon will be the culminating point of Satanic Wickedness on Earth. And tho' Professors sneer, and Wise men laugh, at the idea—"*An impossibility in this enlightened age*"—yet on the plains of Shinar the most enlightened Nations of Europe (in the bounds of the old Roman Empire) will by their Representatives Worship Lucifer as God.

No matter if most of the Preachers and Teachers in Christian Churches today ignore and laugh to scorn the idea of that terrible Being—ANTICHRIST—he yet shall surely come. His City—the Royal City of his pride—shall be Babylon.

The near future is big with mighty wonders—and all set forth in clear cut detail in God's Blessed Word, but ignored, glossed over, and disbelieved in by most of the pulpits of the World.