

HELPING HAND

The Day of Vengeance

FOR BIBLE STUDENTS

TWO REMARKABLE TYPES OF THE IMPENDING CATASTROPHE

Let no one conclude because these various descriptions are not literal, but symbolic, that they may therefore represent merely a battle of words, a quaking of fear, or a trivial storm of human passion. For though controversy, and words of passion and arguments will be and are among the weapons used in this battle, especially in the beginning of it, yet it will not end with these. Every prophetic detail indicates that before it ends it will be a most sanguinary conflict, a fierce and terrible storm. …

We have already observed the typical character of the great tribulation which came upon fleshly Israel in the end of the Jewish Age; and now, having come to the parallel period—the Harvest of the Gospel Age, we see all the indications of a similar, though much greater trouble, upon 'Christendom,' its antitype. …

While the judgments visited upon Judea and Jerusalem were terrible in the extreme, they were only on a small scale as compared with the great tribulation, now fast approaching, upon Christendom, and involving the whole world.

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The Battle of Armageddon,
Study XI, pp. D527–D530