

The Notes.

a. If Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob do lyue: Ergo all the sayntes, that be hence departed in sayth do lyue with them. For, we are therefore called the chyldren of Abraham: by cause, that we are heyres with hym of the life to come.

The .xxi. Chapter.

Christ commendeth the poore wyldowe, telleth of the destruction of Ierusalem, of false teachers, of the tokens and troubles for to come, of the ende of the worlde, and of his owne commynge.



He behelde, he sawe the ryche men, whiche cast their offerynges into the treasurye. And he sawe also a certayne poore wydow, whiche cast in thither two mites. And he sayde: of a truth I saye vnto you, this poore widow hath put in moze then they all. For they all haue of theyr superfluitie added vnto the offeringe of God: but she, of hyr penury hath cast in all the substaunce that she had.

As some spake of the temple, how it was garnysshed with goodly stones and Jewels, he sayde: The dayes wyll come, when of these thynges whiche ye se, shall not be lefte stone vpon stone, that shall not be throwen downe. And they asked hym, sayinge: Master, when shall these thynges be, and what sygne wyll there be when suche thynges shall come to passe.

And he sayde: take hede, that ye be not deceaued. For many wyl come in my name sayinge: I am he, and the tyme draweth nere. Folow ye not them therfore. But when ye heare of warre and dissention, be not afrayde. For these thynges must fyrst come, but the ende soloweth not by and by. Then sayde he vnto them: Nation shall rylse agaynste nation, and kyngedome agaynste kyngedome, and greate earthquakes shall be in all quarters, and hunger, and pestilence, and fearefull thynges. And greate sygnes shall there be from heauen.

But before all these, they shall laye their handes on you, and persecute you, delyuerynge you by to the Synagoges and into prysonnes, and bynge you before kynges and rulers for my names sake. And thys shall chaunce you.

for a testimoniall. Let it sticke therfoze faste in your hertes, not once to studie befoze, what ye shall aunswere: for I wyll geue you a mouth, and wysedome, where agaynste, all your aduersaries shall not be able to speake, noz refyste. Yea, and ye shalbe betrayed of your fathers, and mothers, and of your brethren, and kynsemen, and frendes, and some of you shall they put to death. And hated shall ye be of al men for my names sake. Y et there shall not one heere of youre heades perishe. By youre pacience possesse youre soules.

D ^{sciii. b.} ^{sciii. b.} ^{a*} And when ye se Jerusalem besieged with an hoste, then vnderstande that the desolation of the same is nye. Then let them whiche are in Jewrye fflye to the mountaynes. And let them whiche are in the myddes of it, departe oute. And let not them that are in other countreyes, enter therein. For these be the dayes of vengeaunce, to fulfyll all that are writen. But wo be to them that be with chyld, and to them that geue sucke in those dayes: for there shalbe great trouble in the lande, and wyath ouer all this people. And they shal fall on the edge of the swerde, and shalbe ledde captiue, into all nations. And Jerusalem shalbe troden vnder fote of the gentyls, vntyll the tyme of the gentyls be fulfyllled.

