rend the heavens. That thou would come down. The mex heavens might flow at thy presentace. O Lord, thou art our fix father, we are the clay, and thou art our father. We are the work of thy hands. Thy - Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, and we are a work of thy hands - It Jerusalem a desolation. Our holy and beautiful house we..is burned with fire and all our pleasant things a re laid waste, Wilt thou restrain ourself for these thiggngs, O Lord, wilth thou * hold thy peace and fack & afflict us very sore. It is interesting to see what Delitzsch says about this. After this great plea to God to let the icities of Jerusalem be rebuilt and reestablished xxx, then we go into chapter \$65, xx and we notice a passage of great denunciation , then followed by a g passage of great blessing, and at Delitzsch says in volume town two of his commentary on page 437, he says after the people have poured out their hearts w before Jehovah, he declares towaht-what, x they have to expect from the him, but promise does not follow te at one once as one might expect after the preceeding prayer, but ax at first rebuke and meanace, kk for although the penitant force ... in this prayer with the entier entire makination. He says that one would be expect after therpreceding prayer, one would expect an immediate promise but instead of that there is destruction and rebuke,. Well, it seems a to me that Delitzsch has missed the main poings t of the previous prayer and its conenection with this. There is in prayer before no expression of penitence, no falling down in humble submission to the Lord and saying that we deserve nothing good, but we pray for the name of God that He will cleanse us from our sin and that he will purchase of our iniquity. It is admitted that sin has come on account of the iniquity, but the whole ground on which it is asked that God/deliver them is, Oh Lord, our God. Thou art our Father. We are thine. Thou never rulest over them. They were not called by thy name. Thou art our Father. Won't ytur you do something for us? We are yours. They are not yours. They are not called by your name. And the answer is it verse 1 of 65. I say, Behold me, Behold me, to a nation that was not called by my name. I am found of those that had not sought me. These 63 and 64, I feel quite certain properly to be interpreted of not as the prophet's pry- prayer, not as the prayer of the godly nation, but as the prayer of the Pharisees, as the