

~~On~~ the other hand the ecclesiastical world, which until recently stood largely in opposition to the Higher Criticism, has now capitulated to it, ^{at least} as far as many of the leading denominations in ^{America} ~~the~~ ^{of this, let us look at} ~~English-speaking world~~ are concerned. As one instance, the large denomination in the northern part of the United States which calls itself the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. (in distinction from the similar body in the southern part of our country, which is called the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.) ^{this denomination} half century ago stood solidly against the Higher Criticism and opposed all denial of the full truthfulness of any part of God's Word.

Today it has moved ~~so~~ far away from these basic tenets that its ^{newly} ~~standard~~ ^{adopted} system of Sunday School lessons follows the unbelief of the Higher Criticism, and the Wellhausen theory is taught as established truth in most of its colleges and theological seminaries.

Under these circumstances it is vital that Christian people everywhere learn something of the vital evidences of the truth of God's written Word, in order that they may stand intelligently for that revelation which is our only source of knowledge of salvation through Christ. If the Bible falls, then Christianity is a farce. But the Bible will not fall, for it is entirely true and dependable. Never was unbelief more widespread than today. Yet never before in Christian history were so many unanswerable evidences available, regarding the truth of the Bible.

During the past century archeology has so increased our knowledge of ancient times that the Old Testament no longer stands alone. Under the excavator's spade, great cities have emerged from the dust in many parts of the world, but particularly in Egypt, Mesopotamia, and Palestine. Remains of houses, temples, and palaces have been dug up. Beautiful works of art have been discovered. A new world has emerged from the dust and many a fact