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lips do honor me, but have removed their heart/^{far}from me (this people, he says) and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men (they're building on their own theories and their own schemes and their own ideas and their own principles, instead of on the simple teaching of God's word and taught by the precept of men) wherefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people." What marvelous work is God going to do among this people? "Woe unto them that seek to hide their counsel from the Lord." They have these underhanded alliances with wicked nations and make their secret treaties at Yalta and other places and keep from the world at large what their plans are. They send their tribute to Assyria and their lend-lease to those who were against God and against morality and against that which is in the interest of the wellbeing of the world, they hide all this in secret and work out these plans and they say, "Who sees us and who knows us?" "Surely, your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay." Is it not a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest? What is the great work that God is going to do? What is the marvelous work that is the punishment upon the people for their indifference to Him? What is the great work here described in the latter part of this chapter? That we shall discuss next Tuesday morning.

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