

Isaiah 11

Lord shall come with fire, and with His chariots like a whirlwind, to render His anger with fury, and His rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire and by His sword will the Lord plead with all flesh. Terrific blessing at the end of the age. And the slain of the Lord shall be many. They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens behind one tree in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together. A purging out from the earth of those who are wicked. And doubtless before the coming of Israel into the kingdom as a nation born in a day, a purging of Israel of great multitudes. Shall be consumed together, saith the Lord, for I know their works and their thoughts. And in our Authorized version the word "know" is rightly in italics because it is not in the Hebrew. Simply, "For I their works and their thoughts," and some say "know" is wrong. It should be "For I will punish their works and their thoughts", but if that is the case it adds nothing to the thought of what has previously been given, and why should you insert the word "punish"? Where as for me, their works and their thoughts, I think that "know" is a good guess as to what the idea of it is. Is it going to be done and these individuals are going to be gathered out from the midst of Israel and from the midst of the nation because, as for me, their works and their thoughts are not hidden from me. God knows. It was one of the great things about Christ that, when He was here on earth, they saw that He knew men and no one needed to tell Him what was in man, for He knew it. Nathaniel said, "Whence knowest thou me?" He said, "When thou wast", He said, "I saw thee when thou wast under the fig tree." The man never dreamed that Christ had seen him but Christ saw him and knew what was in him. He said, "Behold an Israelite in whom is ^{no guile} ." He knew men and God knows them, and God will work out His judgment in perfect . And then he goes on with a picture from the last part of V. 18 on which seems to contain much which refers to material propperity. It shall come that I will gather all nations and tongues and they shall come and see my glory and I will set a sign among them and I will send those