

*forth, shew us what shall happen: Let them shew the former things, what they be, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.*" God demands that they give some prediction, some prophecy they have made 100 or 1000 years ago and then consider its latter end to see if it came to pass as was prophesied.

Let them show the things that are to come hereafter — what will happen in Europe, in Asia, in this great North American wilderness; what will happen to Babylon, to Greece, Rome, Medo-Persia? Let them prophesy about all of these kingdoms and then produce the evidence from history that their prophecies were fulfilled to the minutest detail. There is only One who can — our Sovereign, Almighty, Ever-living God.

Verse 23: "*Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye are gods . . .*" There is only one God, and He is our God, the God of the Bible. His infallible proof and evidence which cannot be refuted is fulfilled Bible prophecy. If there were more preaching today on fulfilled Bible prophecy our people would not be afflicted with modernism, atheism and unbelief.

Two of the most remarkable prophetic books in the Bible are *Joel* and *Zephaniah*. Both are books of three chapters and both prophesy concerning our nation and our time.

Many times in the New Scriptures we are exhorted to study the writings of the holy prophets. The Apostle Peter clearly states in the second chapter of *Acts* that the prophecy of Joel is an end-time prophecy. And he writes to the believers (in *II Peter* 3:2) to "*be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets . . .*"

Joel and Zephaniah are two of the holy prophets and in this book we will study their prophecies, considering first the prophecy of *Joel*, then the prophecy of *Zephaniah*.