

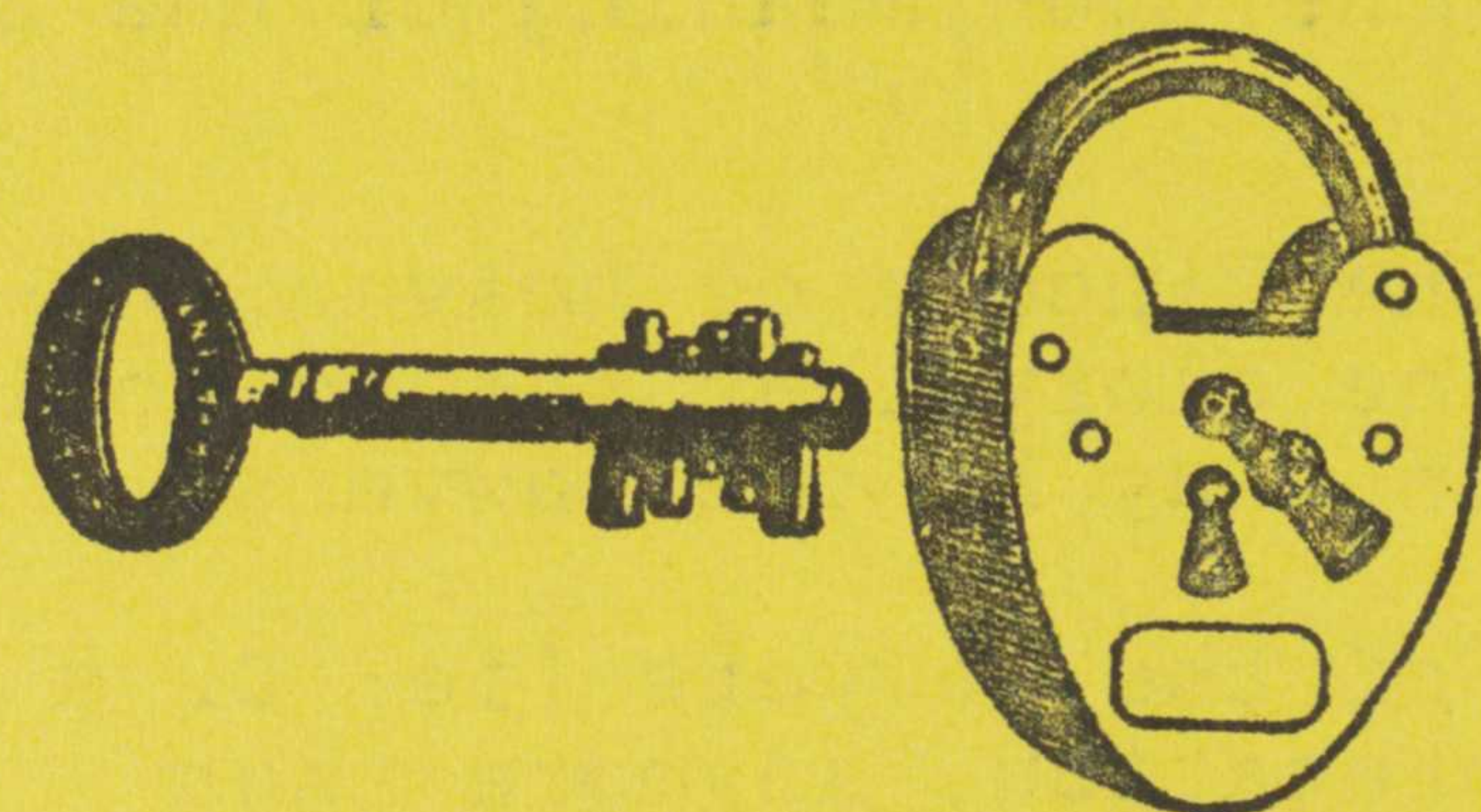
THE KEY OF KNOWLEDGE

"Woe unto you lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered."JESUS

When learned Theologians brush aside the Old Testament Scriptures as being irrelevant, incredible, untrustworthy...It may seem presumption for a preacher like myself to hold contrary views...

For I believe the Old Testament is a book that must be read and preached within the four walls of the Christian Church, since the 'church' has recieved the Old Testament from the hand of Jesus.

The attitude of the early Christian believers is concisely summed up by Peter who said: "Prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."



Is this not an apostolic assumption the Old Testament is the WORD OF GOD?

Paul reminded Timothy: "That from a child thou hast known the holy scripture [O.T.] which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture

is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

If words mean anything these two Apostles assert, the Old Testament is God's own revelation of Himself through selected human instruments who spoke....as they were moved by the Holy Ghost!

Furthermore--They leave no doubt these same scriptures contain the very essential instruction in righteousness which leads directly to salvation by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Internal statements from the Book of God are both definite, conclusive. BUT---our confidence in the Divine Inspiration of the Old Testament rests upon higher authority....

THE WORDS OF JESUS!

We do believe that our God... "at sundry times and in divers manners spake unto the fathers by the prophets..." We also believe that word of prophecy has been made ----MORE SURE! Because God "hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son."

A careful study of the four Gospel facts reveal that Jesus never refuted any portion of the Old Testament scriptures either BEFORE or AFTER His resurrection!

Our Evangelical FAITH is not contradicted by FACTS, but opposed only by the THEORIES of men motivated by the faith-destroying spirit of our age....