### **STUDY IV**

# BABYLON ARRAIGNED BEFORE THE GREAT COURT

- (1) In what manner are "the powers that be" now being tried in open court? Page 75
- (2) What is the object of this trial? Is it to convince the Great Judge of the actual standing of Christendom? Page 76, par. 1
- (3) How do the civil and ecclesiastical powers stand their trial? Page 76, par. 2

### BABYLON WEIGHED IN THE BALANCES

- (4) While the masses are challenging both the civil and ecclesiastical powers to prove their claims to rule by Divine authority, to what fact are both rulers and ruled blinded? Page 77, par. 1
- (5) Why have ignorance and superstition been fostered and encouraged among the masses by the ruling classes? What change in these matters has recently come about, and through what agencies? Page 77, par. 2, 3
- (6) What has been the result of this increase of knowledge? And what steps have been taken in some countries toward putting an end to the education of the masses? Page 78, par. 1, 2
- (7) Why will such repressive policies on the part of governments fail of success? Page 79, par. 1, 2
- (8) While Babylon is being weighed in the balances, what are the respective attitudes of the masses and the civil and ecclesiastical powers? Page 79, par. 3, to Page 80, par. 2
- (9) What are some of the fearless criticisms of Babylon on the part of the public press? Page 81, par. 1, to Page 86, par. 1
- (10) What was the cost and evident object of the marvelous display of extravagance at the coronation of the Czar of Russia? Page 86, par. 2, to Page 88, par. 1
- (11) What contrasting facts manifest the lack of true Christian sentiments on the part of the rulers of so-called Christian nations? Page 89, par. 1
- (12) What are some facts relative to the enormous indebtedness of European countries? Page 89, par. 2, to Page 93, par. 2

- (13) What is the estimated cost of maintaining the standing armies of Europe? What has been the estimated loss of life during 25 years of nineteenth century wars? Page 93, par. 3, to Page 94, par. 2
- (14) What did it cost during three years to keep peace among the "Christian" nations of Europe? Page 95, par. 1
- (15) How much have the principal wars of recent times cost? And what has been the estimated loss of life? Page 95, par. 2, 3
- (16) What comment upon the military system of modern governments has been made by the late Hon. John Bright, M. P? Page 96, par. 1, 2
- (17) How is the judgment of the civil powers progressing? Page 96, par. 3

### THE WORLD'S ARRAIGNMENT OF THE PRESENT SOCIAL SYSTEM

- (18) Is Christendom's social system likewise under inspection? What is the notable criterion by which both the heathen and the masses of Christendom are judging the present social system? Page 96, par. 4, to Page 97, par, 1
- (19) What is the general consensus of opinion regarding the present social and industrial systems of Christendom? Page 97, par. 2, to Page 99, par. 3
- (20) What two great extremes of the social system are being brought more and more to the attention of the whole world? Page 100 to Page 102

# THE WORLD'S JUDGMENT OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL POWERS

- (21) Mention the most prominent points of criticism in John Edgerton Raymond's article on the "Decline of Ecclesiasticism," published in the North American Review. Page 102 to Page 104, par. 2
- (22) What notable fact was commented upon by Bishop Huntingdon in his article on "Social Problems and the Church"? Page 104, par. 3, 4
- (23) What other significant expressions of popular judgment of Christendom have been given utterance through the press? Page 105, par. 1, to Page 106, par. 2
- (24) While the conduct of Babylon's leaders and their followers has been severely criticized, what is the attitude of the world toward her doctrines? And how are Babylon's leaders making answer to the charges against them? Page 106, par. 3, to Page 110, par. 2

- (25) What part is the Great Judge taking in this day when the world is applying the test to Babylon's claims? Page 110, par. 3
- (26) When will Babylon's complete destruction be accomplished? And how do many already behold and read the handwriting of her doom? Page 111, par. 1
- (27) What is the attitude of Babylon's adherents at present? What is the Word of the Lord pronounced against Babylon through the Psalmist? (See Psa. 50:1, 4, 7, 16-22) Page 111, par. 2; Page 112, par. 1