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claims himself THE ONLY TRUE GoD. Mohammed wrought  
no miracle, Antichrist works many. Mohammed recog-  
nized Abraham’s God, and compelled the seal of circum-  
cision. Antichrist blasphemes the true God, and sets  
up a new mark to distinguish his own worshippers.  
Mohammed allowed recusants to live under tribute : not  
so the false Christ.  
  
11. “ And I saw another Wild Beast coming up out of the earth,  
and he had two horns like a lamb, and he was speaking like a  
dragon.”  
  
This second Wild Beast is a person, as well as the  
first. 1. This is the more easily proved, because he is  
thrice called “ the False Prophet ” (xvi. 13; xix. 20; xx.  
10). (1) In the first case, a spirit proceeding from him  
collects earth to battle against God and Christ. (2)  
In the second, he is spoken of as the great coadjutor  
of the False Christ, aiding him by his miracles to deceive  
mankind. Thus is he identified with the Wild Beast  
before us, as we shallsee. (3) Lastly, he is seen partaking  
of the awful fate of the Dragon and False Christ for  
ever. 2. Our Lord assigns to FALSE PROPHETS a con-  
tiguous place to raLsE Curists. “For there shall  
arise false Christs and false prophets, and shall show  
great signs and wonders, insomuch that (if it were possible)  
they should deceive the very elect” (Matt. xxiv. 24 ;  
Mark xiii. 22. Also Matt. xxiv. 5, 11). Now here is  
“‘ the false prophet.’ The Wild Beast, then, with whom  
he stands so closely connected, is ‘the false Christ.”  
He works, as is foretold, great signs and wonders,  
and the elect alone escape his net. 3. As Satan or the  
Dragon is a person, so are the two others. 4. The  
Divine nature is a Trinity; and Satan’s wisdom is  
always to copy the divine plan, as far as is possible.  
He occupies much of the position taken by the  
heathen priesthood; yet he is never called a priest.