here, viz. vv. 25, 26: see Matt. vi. 14, and  
1 Tim. ii. 8. The connexion here seems  
to be, ‘Though you should aim at strength  
of faith,—*yet your faith* should not work  
in all respects as you have seen me do, in  
judicial anger condemning the unfruitful  
and evil; but you amust *forgive*.’

**24. believe that ye have received them]** The  
past tense is used, because the reception  
spoken of is the determination in the divine  
counsels coincident with the request—believe   
that when you asked, you received,  
and the fulfilment shall come.

**25.]** On the matter, compare Matt. vi. 14 f.  
See also Matt. v. 23 f., where the converse  
to this is treated of.

**27–33.]** THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS  
QUESTIONED. HIS REPLY. Matt. xxi. 23  
–32. Luke xx. 1–8. Our account and  
that of St. Matthew are very close in  
agreement. St. Luke’s has (compare ver.  
6, “*all the people will stone us*”) few and  
important additions: see notes on Matthew.

**28.]** The expression **these things** need not  
necessarily refer to the   
cleansing of the temple, as Meyer: but  
seems, from Luke, to extend over our Lord’s  
whole course of teaching and putting