by some of our principal MSS.), **because  
Lord God shall shine** (shed light) **upon  
them: and they shall reign** (De Wette  
well remarks, in a higher sense than in  
ch. xx. 4, 6) **to the ages of the ages.**  
  
  
**6—21**.] CONCLUDING ASSURANCES AND  
EXHORTATIONS: and herein, 6,7, assurance  
by the angel of the truth of what has  
been said, in the terms of ch. i. 1. {6} **And he** (the angel)  
**said to me, These sayings,** (the  
whole book, by what follows) **are faithful  
and true: and the Lord** (Jehovah) **the God  
of the spirits of the prophets** (i.e. of those  
spirits of theirs, which, informed by the  
Holy Spirit, have become the vehicles of  
prophecy) **sent His angel to shew to His  
servants what things must come to pass  
shortly** (on the whole of this, see on ch i. 1,  
from which place it is repeated at the close  
of the book of which that is the opening).  
{7} **And behold, I come quickly** (the speech  
passes into the words of Christ, Himself,  
reported by the angel: so in ver. 12, and in  
ch. xi. 3). **Blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book** (the speech is a mixed one: in the words of  
**this book**, the Writer has in view the roll  
of **this book** now lying all but completed  
before him: but the words are the saying  
of the angel: “*of this prophecy*,” would  
express it formally). {7} **And I John** [**am he**]  
**who heard and saw these things: and when  
I heard and saw, I fell down** (as in ch. xix.  
10, where see notes) **to worship before the  
feet of the angel who shewed mo these  
things. {8} And he saith to me, Take heed  
not: I am a fellow-servant of thine, and**(a fellow-servant) **of thy brethren the  
prophets, and of those who keep the  
sayings of this book: worship God** (the  
same feeling again. prevailed over the  
Apostle as before, and is met with a similar  
rebuke). {10} **And he saith to me, Seal not up  
the sayings of the prophecy of this book**