12—17. REVELATION,   
   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION, AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED,   
 timely figs, when she is   
 shaken of a mighty wind. ripe figs, when she And shaken heaven a +f .   
 ¥ And the heaven departed mighty wind,   
 asa scroll when it is rolled parted asund ler as a seroll when it is"!   
 together; and every moun- rolled together ; and fev   
 tain and island were moved tain and island were moved out of =f °\* i   
 out of their places, ¥8 And moun- £ Jer,   
 the kings of the earth, and their places. 16 And the kings of   
 the great men, and the rick the earth, an id the great men, + and + Seatt   
 men, and the chief cap- the chief’ cap ighty and the and every   
 tains, and the mighty men, and id every free man, & hid ss ii.   
 and every bondman, and bondman, mi nm the caves and in the   
 every free man, hid them- themselves i mountains; 16" and » Mos   
 selves in the dens and in mountains and to the   
 the rocks of the mountains; nus, and hide us from   
 Wand said to the moun- rocks of the   
 tains and rocks, Fall on say to the   
 us, and hide us from the rocks, Fall 0   
 face of him that ‘sitteth on the face of him that sitteth on the   
 the throne, and from the   
 wrath of the Lamb: i for throne, and from the wrath of the   
 the great day of his wrath Lamb: 17} foi the great day of his | ts.   
 14, avis,   
   
 from heaven”), as a fig-tree casteth her xxv., the officer in command of the gar-   
 unripe figs (De Wette explains it to mean, rison at Jerusalem is so called), and the   
 the winter figs, which almost always fall off rich men and the strong men (hitherto   
 unripe) when shaken by a great wind (so the enumeration has comprised all those   
 Matt. again, “and the powers of the who from their eireumstances would have   
 heavens shail be shaken.” It is remark- most ground for trust in the permanence   
 able, that in Matt., when the deseription of the existing state of the earth: theso   
 hus finished, next words are, “learn last being perhaps the physically strong,   
 the parable from the fig-tree.” The simi- see Ps, xxxiii. 16: or perhaps all those who   
 litude from the fig-tree, though a dif- on account of any strength, physical or   
 ferent one, rises tothe mind of the Apostle intellectual, are of the number of the   
 as he sees in vision the fulfilment of his sturdy or stout-hearted. Now, the eata-   
 Master’s words which were so shortly fol- logue becomes more general), and every   
 ilar iNustration. The ima- man, bond and free, hid themselves in   
 gery itself, that in the beginning of the the caves and in the rocks of the moun-   
 next verse, is from Isa, xxiv. 4). And the tains (sce Isa. ii, 19, from which the   
 heaven parted asunder as a scroll when imagery comes), and say to the moun-   
 rolled up (the stars having fallen from it, tains and to the rocks, Fall upon us,   
 the firmament itself was removed away, and hide us from the countenance (sce   
 as an open scroll which is rolled up and Nahum i. 6: and compare Ps. xxxiv. 16,   
 put by. So also almost verbatim, Isa. “The countenance [ face] of the Lord   
 xxxiv. 4), and every mountain and island is against them thai do evil”) of Him   
 were moved out of their places (compare that sitteth upon the throne, and from   
 again Matt. xxiv. 35, “heaven and earth the wrath of the Lamb (the imagery is   
 shall pass away :” the whole earth is from Hosea x. 8, further impressed by   
 broken up by a change as total as any of our Lord’s solemn saying on the way to   
 those previous ones which have prepared Calvary, Luke xxiii. 30:—the meaning,   
 it for its present inhabitants, Compare that all these shall seek death or anni-   
 ch. xvi. 20; and Nahum i. 5). And the hilation in terror of the coming day,   
 kings of the earth, and the great men (the when they shall have to stand before   
 great civil officers, and courtiers, God): because the great day (we have   
 us distinguished from the nest. following), no way in English of expressing the   
 and the chief captains (in Acts xxi — here used without an awkward periph:   
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