1036 REVELATION. XL. 19.   
 AUTHORIZED VERSION REVISED.   
 and to give their reward unto thy AUTHORIZED VERSION.   
 servants the prophets, and to the   
 saints, and them that fear thy name, and that thou shouldest   
 ze-riet, the \* small and the great; ’ and to give reward unto thy ser-   
 &:mi6 destroy them which destroy the vants the prophets, and   
 xeh.av.s,8 earth. 19 And \*the temple of God to the saints, and them   
 that fear thy name, small   
 and great; and shouldest   
 destroy them which destroy   
 was opened in heaven, and the ark the earth. 9 And the   
 of his covenant was seen in his temple of God was opened   
 temple: and \* there were lightnings, in heaven, and there was   
 ach, vill. and voices, and thunderings, and an seen in his temple the ark   
 @xvi.18, earthquake, » and a great hail. of his testament : and there   
 XII. 1 And a great sign was seen were lightnings, and voices,   
 Deb. xvi. in heaven; a woman clothed with and thunderings, and an   
 the sun, and the moon under her earthquake, and great:   
 hail.   
 XIL } And there ap-   
 peared a great wonder in   
 with the woman and the   
   
 spoken), and [the time] to give their re- heaven recognize as faithful and true, ch.   
 ward to Thy servants the prophets (see xix. 2. ‘The symbolism of this verse, the   
 especially Matt. x. 41, to which reference opening for the first time of the heavenly   
 seems to he made), and to the saints, and temple, also indicates of what natnre the   
 to them that fear Thy name, the small sueceeding visions are to be: that they will   
 and the great (the three terms together relate to God’s covenant people and His   
 include the whole church), and to destroy dealings with them): and there were   
 the destroyers of the earth (all this looks lightnings, and voices, and thunderings,   
 onward to judgments and acts of God yet and an earthquake, and a great hail (the   
 to come when the words are spoken. ‘The solemn salvos, so to speak, of the artillery   
 thanksgiving is not that God hath done all of heaven, with which each series of   
 this, but that the hour is come for it all to is concluded : sce this on above,   
 take place. Before it does, another im- at the beginning of this section).   
 portant series of visions to be unfolded). Cuar. XIL] Tar Vision of THE   
 19.] Concluding, and transitional. Woman axp THE GREAT RED Dra-   
 And the temple of God was opened in the Gon. On the natnre of this vision, as   
 heaven, and the ark of His covenant was troductory of the whole imagery of the   
 seen in His temple (the episode of ch. xi. latter part of the Apocalypse, I have al-   
 1 ff. with measuring the temple of ready remarked at ch. xi. It is only need-   
 God, the shadow of things in the heavens: fal now to add, that the principal details   
 and now, when the time is come for the of the present section are rather deserip-   
 judgments there indicated to be falfilled, tive than strictly prophetical : relating,   
 ‘that temple itself in the heavens is laid as in the prophets the descriptions of Israel   
 open. The ark of the Covenant is seen, and Judah, to things passed and passing,   
 the symbol of God’s faithfulness in be- and serving for the purpose of fall identi-   
 stowing grace on His people, and inflicting fication and of giving completeness to the   
 vengeance on His people’s enemies. ‘This whole vision. And a great (important in   
 is evidently a solemn and befitting inan- its meaning, as well as vast in its appear-   
 guration of God’s final judgments, as it is ance) sign (one of those appearances by   
 a conelusion of the series pointed out by which God signified to John the revela-   
 the trumpets, which have been inflicted in tions of this book, ch. i. 1) was seen in   
 answer to the prayers of His saints. It is heaven (heaven here is manifestly mot only   
 from this temple that the judgments pro- the show-place of the visions as seen by the   
 eced forth [compare ch. xiv. 15, 17, xv. Seer, but has a substantial place in the   
 3 ff., 17]; from His inmost and holiest vision: for below, ver. 7 ff, we have the   
 place that those acts of vengeance are heaven contrasted with the earth, and the   
 ‘vrought which the great multitude in Aragon cast out of heaven into the earth.