CHAPTER XIX  
  
THE MARRIAGE SUPPER, AND THE  
BATTLE OF GOD

1. “After these things, I heard as it were, a great voice of a  
numerous multitude in the heaven, saying, ‘Alleluia! Salvation  
and glory, and might, belong to our God. 2. For true and  
righteous are His judgments: for He judged the Great Harlot  
who used to corrupt the earth with her fornication; and avenged  
the blood of His servants at her hand!’ 3. And the second time  
they said, ‘Alleluia!’ And her smoke goeth up for ever and ever.  
4. And the twenty-four elders, and the four living creatures, fell  
down and worshipped God that sitteth on the throne, saying,  
‘Amen, Alleluia.’”  
  
THE mighty multitude before us consists not of members of the Church only: it embraces the saved and  
risen of all dispensations. The Great Multitude in  
white (chap. vii.) form a part of this assembly.  
 “Hallelujah” is the key-note of their praise. ’Tis a  
Hebrew word, “Praise ye Jehovah!” and occurs only  
here in the New Testament.  
 In this context it is to be found four times; the number  
of universality. God’s people of the Old Testament  
herein lift up their praise. It is a word borrowed  
from the Psalms; and occurring there frequently. It  
is peculiarly in the spirit of Psalm civ. 35. “Let the  
sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the  
wicked be no more! Bless thou the Lord, oh my  
soul! *Praise ye the Lord!*”  
 At length “salvation” is come from God: His