chosen are redeemed. Thenceforward the adoration of  
any angel is unlawful.  
 When John fell at the feet of the angel, he is twice  
met by—“See thou do it not.” When he falls at our  
Lord’s feet, he is addressed with the words, “Fear  
not!” The angel depreciates himself and elevates  
John to his level. “I am *fellow-servant* of thee, and of  
thy brethren the prophets.” But Jesus takes thereupon  
the title of superiority which involves Godhead, and  
justifies worship. “I am First and Last.” The angel  
bids John to direct his worship to the person of God  
alone. But Jesus, having accepted the worship as His  
due, gives commands to His servant John—“Write  
*therefore* the things which thou sawest.”  
  
 10. “And he saith to me, ‘Seal not the sayings of the prophecy  
of this book: for the season is near.’ 11. He that committeth  
injustice, let him commit injustice still: and the filthy, let him be  
filthy still: and the just, let him do righteousness still: and the  
holy, let him be sanctified still. 12. Behold, I come quickly:  
and my reward is with me, to render to each as his work is. 13.  
I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, beginning  
and end. 14. Blessed are they who wash their robes, that they  
may have a right to the tree of life, and may enter in at the portals  
into the city. 15. Outside are dogs, and sorcerers, and fornicators, and murderers, and idolaters, and every one who loveth  
and maketh a lie.  
 16. I, Jesus, sent mine angel to testify these things to you in  
the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, the  
bright and morning star. 17. And the Spirit and the Bride say,  
Come thou! And let him that heareth say, Come thou! And  
let the thirsty one come. Whosoever wishes, let him take the  
water of life without price. 18. I testify to every one that heareth the sayings of the prophecy of this book, If any add to these  
things, God shall add to him the plagues that are written in this  
book. 19. And if any take away from the sayings of the book of  
this prophecy, God shall take away his portion from the tree of  
life, and out of the holy city, which are written of in this book.  
20. Saith he who testifies these things, Yea, I come quickly.  
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! 21. The grace of the Lord Jesus  
be with all the saints. Amen.”