

be no doubt that it is used this way in the New Testament in several places -- a fact that he fails to mention. To the Christian, New Testament teaching should be sufficient to settle the matter.

Equally unsatisfactory is Young's statement that the words "vision and prophet" must refer only to Old Testament prophecy. The Greek equivalents of these Hebrew words occur in the New Testament many times. It is impossible to make a clear break between Old Testament and New Testament prophecy. Visions were important in Acts 9, 10, 11, 16 and 18. New Testament prophets are mentioned in Acts 11:27; 13:1; 15:32; 21:10; 1 Corinthians 12:28-29; 14:29, 37; Ephesians 4:11.

The Christian Bible is not simply the New Testament but the entire Bible. The Old Testament was not meant to be used only until the first coming of Christ and then to be abolished. It remains a vital part of the Word of God. All evangelical interpreters believe that the book of Daniel, like many other Old Testament books, contains predictions reaching far into the future. Evidence about this consensus regarding Daniel 2 has already been presented<sup>9</sup> and most evangelical interpreters, including Young, find it also true of some of the predictions in chapter 7 and in chapters 11-12.

Although many (but not all) of the predictions of the Old Testament were fulfilled in connection with the first advent of Christ, Hengstenberg points out that even these continue to bring blessing to Christians in later centuries. There is no Scriptural warrant for saying that the functions of the Old Testament vision and prophecy came to an end at the time of Christ's first advent or that these terms do not also include the visions and prophecies of the New Testament.

Yet a small but very insistent group of students of the book of Daniel declares that the prophecy of the 70 weeks must end with the first advent of Christ. Young quotes with approval the words of Philip Mauro: "When our Lord ascended into heaven and the Holy Spirit descended, there remained not one of the six items of Daniel 9:24 that was not fully accomplished."<sup>10</sup>

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