

hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold a greater than Sol. is here. " She came all that distance to see the wisdom of Solomon. Here's a greater than Solomon. Well maybe he means greater in power, greater in what he is to accomplish in this world, greater in real glory. Yes all that is doubtless involved but I think specifically here he is referring to wisdom. She came to hear the wisdom of Sol. and behold a greater than Sol. is here. Did Sol. have wisdom? In the accounts of him it says that he did. And we have the book of Prov. and Ecc. but the modernist scholars will deny that Sol had much to do with these books. What about it? Did Sol. have great glory? Did Sol. have great wisdom? <sup>archaeology</sup> Now we turn to ~~the~~ ~~land~~ ~~of~~ ~~Egypt~~, and we find that we have long accounts in cuneiform writing of the greatness of the rulers of Mesopotamia. We have accounts of the rulers of a --- of certain areas in Syria north of Pal. We have from many different areas, we have accounts of the greatness of various rulers, but we have no such written reference from the time of Sol. of many centuries afterward that makes any ref. to King Solomon. What shall we do about this? Put yourself in the Lord's place and say What shall I do about it? ~~He~~ H. G. Wells says, Sol. was just a petty kinglet with no power with no wisdom. What shall I do with it. If you or I were in His place ~~q~~ we would have someone in Palestine dig up a monument and on this monument ~~he~~ ~~would~~ ~~say~~, I am Solomon I am the great king. I rule from the Euphrates R. to the R. of Egi. The queen of Sheba came to see me because of the grt. wisdom I showed in so many ways. And we would say Look at the proof: Solomon's declaration of all that he did, and immediately the un-believer would say, Yes we have similar statements found up in the land of Aartu(?) north of Mesopotamia in which petty kinglets make tremendous statements about their power and glory which are copied simply from the statements of the great Assyrian rulers. We have statements by some of the Pharaohs in Egypt that are utter lies - simply copied from previous Pharaoh's. So when we find a stemment by a Pharaoh of Egi. or by a ruler of Mesopotaima declaring he has done some great thing we look for other evidence, and in many cases we find proof that the rulers of Egi. and of Mesopotamis were indeed as great and powerful as they claim to have been. But in other cases we find they simply copied statements or made lies. Certainly with these petty kinglets in the land to the north of Mesopotamis they just copied from the Assyrian and Babylonian kings. They copied their statements and we have no reason in ~~any~~ many cases