

used or extended what Solomon had built some decades before. We can't prove it, but it simply shows the situation we are in archaeology where we have found most remarkable evidence. Evidence which I think show such statements as H.G.Wells's to be utter nonsense. And yet where we have a great force of unbelief in the world which is anxious to find any excuse or evidence possible to try to deny it.

Occasionally you find a speaker in archaeology --- I heard of one who said, All but 5 statements from the OT have been proven true. Such absurd statements do more of harm than good. But we have a remarkable number of evidences where the accuracy and dependability of the Bible where we can actually test it, and if this evidence of Solomon's wisdom isn't true then he certainly must have been a stupid man to have built exactly where he did and there is certainly no evidence of that.

I think at anyrate that should give us further reason to think of the application to ourselves of these statements of Christ. If even Sol. in his glory was not arrayed like one of these why take ye thought for raiment. Even Sol. in all his glory. This writer in 1973 thinks the glory of Solomon was very great. Solomon in all his glory was not like this. The evidence is --- new evidences comes up little by little. Perhaps the biggest evidence found is not quite as big as we had thought but I'm quite skeptical of the denials of it that have been made. If Christ said the Queen of the South came to see the wisdom of Solomon and beheld a greater than Sol. is here. Nothing has been found that has a right to shake our faith in the truth and dependability of the Scripture. Sol. was indeed a grt. ruler, a powerful man. He was doubtless a very wise man. But there is a greater than Solomon. Solomon had power to do grt things in the material world. But Jesus Christ controls all things in the material world and the spiritual world. He did the greatest thing of all when He gave his life on calvary's cross to make atonement for oursins which none but the Son of God could do. And certainly the wisdom of Christ was far beyond any human wisdom. We have a distillation of this wisdom not only in the Gospels but also in the Epistles. Also in the rest of the NT and of the OT. Let us determine to avail ourselves to the utmost of the wisdom of Christ in the Bible and let us avail ourselves of the power of Christ, and let us know that He holds all things in the hollow of His hand and he will lead us if we put our trust in Him. Let us pray: - -