

we would probably say, Let them find ther in Palestine a monument such we found in Mesopotamia of the kings of Arabia and of Babylonia and of Assyria, a monument that says I am Solomoththe great king. I have done this that and the other thàng. Well, we find monuments like that in Assyria but we also find some very similar up in the mountains to the north of x Assyria, where some ~~ix~~ of the petty kings lived up there, and we know that they simply copied x some of the words off of the Assyrian monuments and put ~~be~~ them up with their name on it, and actually it was just a bluff, and if you fbound a tablet like that with such a claim of Solomon, it wouldh't prove so much. You could say Well, he's just boasting like these other kings did. God shows us a different way of bringing us x evidence . It came from quite an unexpected place. It came not from Jerusalem, not from Solomon's headquarters, but from a place up inthe northern part of Palestine, a place which was in ancient times was called Megiddo. And the Hebrew name for the place was Hill of Megiddo, ~~Bar Ar~~ Megiddo, and from that comes the New Testament word , Armageddon, which is really the hill of Megiddo. There was a fortress up to the North where a great battle was fought in ancient times, and in 1906 some German excavaters thought that this hill Megiddo~~x~~ would be a very fine place to excavate and learn something of the ancient history of Palestine. And so these German excavaters went to Megiddo and there they began to excavate. ~~Ther~~~~Ther~~ Their funds were quite limited, and so they dug some threnches across the mound. X Now these trenches they dug down rather deep. They weren't very wide and from them they found the x remains of a number of cities , one right above the other. You could tell, see the foundation of the city and then some of the material from it, and then the foundation, the next city was built on top of it. I