

ANSWERS
TO
EIGHT QUESTIONS
CONCERNING THE
NATURE AND QUALITY
OF
THE BODY
OF THE
LORD JESUS CHRIST,
FROM HIS BIRTH TO HIS ASCENSION.

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Through the voice of the Lord shall the Assyrian be beaten down, which smote with a rod. (Isaiah xxx. 31.)

Let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified; or let them hear, and say,—It is Truth! (Isaiah xliii. 9.)

I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed. (Gal. ii. 11.)

“He who is acquainted with the union of the soul in the body, and the resemblance of the former in the latter, may, in some measure, know the *Union of the Divinity and the Humanity* in THE LORD, and the *resemblance of the one in the other*.—But at this day it is not known what the soul is, and scarcely known that it is from the Father, and that THE BODY is ITS RESEMBLANCE, and that *those two* ARE ONE as what is *prior* and what is *posterior* are one, or as an *esse* and what *thence exists*.” (Arc. Cæl. n. 10125.)

“*PETER, standing up with THE ELEVEN, said, ‘Ye men of Israel here these words;—JESUS of NAZARETH, a MAN approved of God among you by miracles which God did by Him. ye have crucified and slain;—HIM hath God raised up, BECAUSE IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE THAT HE SHOULD BE HOLDEN OF DEATH; for David, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;—he seeing this before, spake of the Resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell [or his life was not abandoned to the grave], NEITHER HIS FLESH DID SEE CORRUPTION:—THIS JESUS hath God raised up, WHEREOF WE ALL ARE WITNESSES: therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made THAT SAME JESUS WHOM YE HAVE CRUCIFIED, BOTH LORD AND CHRIST’* (Acts ii. 14, 22, 23, 24, 30, 31, 32, 36’).

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As this work is but little adapted for the use of the public in general, the writer of it could not expect a very extensive sale of his book,—confined as it must be to the present comparatively small number of the Receivers of the Doctrines of Emanuel Swedenborg,—even if the dimensions of his work had been kept within the limit which he at first intended; and he is not unaware that, by exceeding that limit, he has probably diminished the extent of the sale. But this seemed to him but a light matter when put in competition with the interests of an all-important Doctrine of Divine Truth, which, on reconsideration, appeared to require that the subject should be placed in a fuller light, by a fuller contrast being instituted than he at first thought necessary in the present publication, between the Apostolic Doctrine of the Lord's Resurrection, and the theories opposed to it; and by additional illustrations of that view of the subject which he contends is the true one. He would have preferred that his publication, relating as it does to a point which has always engaged general attention, had been kept down to such a price as would have brought it within the pecuniary convenience of the poorest members of the church, but as this may not now be the case, he would respectfully recommend purchasers who favour the sentiments advanced, to lend the work to others; and this he recommends because USE is his great object; and notwithstanding such a recommendation may have the effect of diminishing the sale still further, for such, doubtless, is the case under ordinary circumstances. But, at the same time, he would beg leave to appeal to *such BORROWERS as may think well of the work*, whether it is reasonable that they should have all the advantage, while the writer has for his share,—as the reward of his exertions,—*a pecuniary fine*, in the shape of loss arising from a too limited sale. He has placed as low a price upon the work as the limited number of the impression, and the expensive manner of printing which he felt compelled to adopt,—by numerous notes in small type,—will reasonably allow. Notwithstanding this, it may prove to be the case, that some persons will deem the price high in comparison with the bulk of the book; and yet this is not the case when the *quantity of matter* contained in the small type is considered,—to say nothing of the *time* expended by the writer in preparing the work for the press. If then the writer has not grudged his *large*, and he may add *anxious* sacrifice of time and convenience, ought the reader, if he agrees in opinion with the writer, to grudge his *very small* share of sacrifice, in the form of such a price as will only secure the writer from loss? for he can assure him that the idea of *gain* is quite out of the question.

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The reader will be pleased to correct the following

ERRATA :

- Page 1 line 10 from top, *for This read His*
6 — 5 from bottom, *for A.E. v. II. read A.E. v. VI.*
" last line, *for ib. 403 read D.L. W. 403.*
19 line 5 from bottom, *for All thing read All things.*
32 Note, *for 3750 read 3570.*
35 line 15 from top, *for A.E. 10269 read A.E. 1069.*
41 — 12 *for A.E. v. V. read A.E. v. VI.*
49 — 12 *for drived read derived.*
69 — 5 from bottom, *for 6879 read 6880.*
78 Note † line 2, *omit appeared, being redundant :—*
———— 4, *the words not by virtue of the angel's there should*
———— *have been enclosed in brackets [].*
82 line 12 from top, *after Divine Celestial insert and Spiritual.*
85 Note * *insert as to before his common sensible, &c.*
126 Note * line 23 from bottom, *for particularly read primarily.*
———— 8 *for Messrs. H. & N. read Mr. N.*
137 line 2 from bottom, *insert a comma after which.*
150 — 3 from top *insert a [before Here.*
152 Note † line 2, *omit the comma after and.*
———— 3, *omit the comma after that.*
153 line 6 from top, *for he (of E. S.) read E. S.*
———— 20 *for mateiral read material.*
156 Note † line 2, *for was read or as.*
159 Note * — *for spiritual read spiritual.*
— line 10 from top, *omit that.*
160 Note † line 1, *for ultimately read intimately.*
— line 10 from top, *for unison read union.*
———— 11 *for principles read principle.*
———— 19 *for assuredly read usually.*
172 Note line 4, *for In n. 139 read In the same No.*
— Note — 32, *for 3071 read 3078.*
176 line 14 from top, *for the latter inestimable work read the inestima-*
———— *ble "Appeal."*
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