

DR. KARL BARTH IN LONDON 104

Dr. Karl Barth passed through London this week on his way back to Switzerland after delivering the Gifford lectures at Aberdeen. An informal luncheon was arranged in his honour on Monday by the World's Evangelical Alliance. Representatives of the Church of England and of the Free Churches joined in paying tribute to the great theologian. The Archdeacon of London (the Venerable E. N. Sharpe), and the Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. Matthews, spoke with admiration of Dr. Barth, and wished him God-speed in his work. "In all his writings," said Dr. Matthews, "we feel the movement of a profoundly serious mind. He has sounded a trumpet for Europe and for that we are truly grateful."

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“In the beginning God . . .”

And again, “Thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins” led me back to the prophet Isaiah, chapter 9, verse 6: “Unto us a child is born . . . the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the everlasting Father . . . the Prince of Peace.”

The same chapter in the Book of Isaiah tells of the people that walked in darkness, as does also the 32nd verse in the Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter 2. And Isaiah, chapter 9, verse 7, speaks of the increase of His government, so also does John the Baptist in the 30th verse of the Gospel according to St. John.

When we think of the words “What is man that Thou art mindful of him . . . that Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands” we naturally think of Genesis again, and go over the wonder of creation and the work of God.

If the great truths of the New Testa-