

## *Note to the Reader*

The first edition of *Particular Redemption and The Free Offer* represented my first attempt at publishing on-line, and I am afraid it showed. In the second edition, I brought the extended notes into the main body of the work by means of an ‘Excursus’ at appropriate points. I clearly indicated this so that the reader could, if desired, skip the excursus and carry straight on with the main text, hoping the text in that second edition would prove less tortuous. ‘Less’ is the operative word. When I came to read the book for my audio-book series, I immediately realised I still had not got it clear enough. However, being encouraged to carry on, I published the audio book of the second edition, all the while knowing that I was going to have to re-set the work. Here is the result – if you like, the third edition of the original book – but I have renamed it ‘Amyraut & Owen Tested’ with the subtitle: ‘And Found Wanting’. I hope this new version will make my work more accessible.

But with the best typesetting in the world, the subject itself would still demand hard thought. As I said in the first edition, the question I have tried to answer in these pages calls for detailed argument and fine distinctions; inevitably, therefore, the result is no easy read. Even so, I offer the finished work to the public because of the importance of the subject. As for my extracts from other authors, where necessary I have changed spelling and grammar without altering the sense.