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7. As someone has well said, what is in the well of the
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they would "... call evil good, and good evil ..." (vv. 19-20)
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