

go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day. Then Peter took him ", Peter

(7.) Peter whom certainly Jesus had praised very, very highly, "Peter took Him and began to rebuke Him saying, 'Be it far from thee, Lord; this shall not be unto thee.'" How does Peter know whether it shall not be. Peter is now letting his human interests, his human ideas, what he thinks, approve this and he rebukes Jesus. Does Jesus say, "My look what the Rock says. Look at the solid foundation." He just turned and said to Peter, "Get thee behind me, Satan. Thou art an offense unto me for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but the things of men." Here we have Peter making a great step forward. Here's the declaration of the Rock - wonderful what Peter sees. Now

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And Jesus says, "Get thee behind me, Satan. Thou art an offense unto me." And all through Christian history that has happened over and over. That people have established institutions, they've established denominations, they've established great organizations to stand for the word of God and then people have gone aside from the Word of God and substituted human knowledge and human wisdom for the Word of God. And in time our Lord has had to say, "Get thee behind me for thou art an offense unto me."

come out of them and to establish new and to start over in

That was what happened when the United States was founded. Great organizations in Europe took stands and positions that were contrary to the word of God and when the Pilgrim Fathers came to this country, they left England at great loss and great sacrifice. And they did it because they could not worship God over there in the way they thought the Bible said they should. The church there

(9.) had practices which they did not think were according to the Word of God. The authorities of the people in those churches favored those practices. The authorities of the churches laid them down. But the Pilgrims said, "No, we don't think that's what the Word of God means. We think it should be a different way." So they came all this long distance across the ocean - nothing like I did last week, coming across in a night - it took them two months, day after day across that ocean in a little tiny boat. And when they got here instead of going to Virginia, where people thought