

retracted their positions on that point. So, as you can see, I believe your statement can have some major implications....

I trust my length and enthusiasm have not confused you, but rather have encouraged you. Again thank you for your exemplary life of scholarship and devotion to Christ. You continue to give to all of us great leadership in courageous Bible exposition. May his hand of blessing be upon you for good for many years to come.

Dear ...

Your comments on the matter of the 70 weeks were both helpful and stimulating. I have often quoted 1 Peter 1:10-12 to show that the writings of the prophets contain material that they themselves did not necessarily understand. Your suggestion that it also indicates that they definitely did not know the time when the predicted events would occur is a very interesting one, and one into which I desire to look further....

One friend has suggested that "Hengstenberg, *Christology*, III, 143, and Montgomery *ICC*, 391, seems to make a pretty good case for uninterrupted weeks." I am very sceptical about this but intend to pursue it further. Since three sections are definitely stated I see no reason why the three have to follow one another without any interruption. A man might say, "I spent 19 years in Pennsylvania. I entered the University of Pennsylvania in 1936 and studied there four years; ten years I was an executive in a Philadelphia company and five years I was city manager of Pittsburgh." Such a statement would not exclude the possibility that he spent four years in the Philippines between the first and second periods and five years in government service in Washington between the second and third.

The matter of the "new covenant" is quite a difficult problem with many ramifications. I would be greatly interested in any further light that you can throw upon it....

I have prepared a manuscript on the prophecies of Daniel, and have already covered every part except chapter 12. Although I wish to do more revision on the entire work I am fairly well satisfied with my treatment of all the chapters except the one dealing with the 70 weeks. While I believe that I have found the