

an exposition of Revelation 20. But real post-millennialism has a good point, that it recognizes the universality of the coming earthly kingdom. I mentioned to you before, how Dr. Allis, I asked Dr. Allis once, I said, what does it mean, when it says, that no one can say to his neighbor know the Lord for all ~~the~~ shall know the Lord. And he said to me, that means that no Christian will ask another Christian, know the Lord for every Christian will know the Lord. And I don't see why on earth, Jeremiah would make such a prediction in that way, as I've mentioned before, and as I'm going to repeat in (8 1/2) this course, it is just the same as saying, as to say, the time will come when no one that knows the Lord will say to somebody else, that knows the Lord, know the Lord, because everybody who knows the Lord will know the Lord. He is either talking of everybody, or he is speaking nonsense. He is not just talking about Christians. And so the promise is of a time when the knowledge of the Lord will cover the earth, as the waters cover the sea, and the post-millennialist, the true post-millennialist, accepts these prophecies, and believes in them, and says the time is coming when the knowledge of the Lord will cover the whole earth, and it will come about by the preaching of the Gospel. And that is a wonderful hope to look forward to, if God teaches that that is what is going to happen. It is a wonderful teaching. And we certainly have no criticism of anybody for rejoicing in a wonderful hope like that, but we ask ourselves, is that

(8 1/2) and that is the thing we should look for. Yes? (Student). Well, I would say in the first place, that there is much very clear teaching in the Scriptures, that Christ comes back suddenly and unexpectedly to a world in which there is a great deal of sin. I'd say that much. And so I think that that would definitely be established the opposite, unless you had a very clear statement that it is that. Now you have no clear statement, but you have parallels which says there is a gradual/ ~~the~~ development, now the question is, do you mean there is a gradual development up to a point, and then there comes a sudden great happening. Are there gradual developments in different areas. Or is it possible that some of these parables are not pointing to the gradual developments of ^{good at all} (10 1/2) but are pointing to the development of