

and will come back with him and sits in on the judgment of the lost.

Number 6. Conclusion regarding variant views of the Kingdom. And the conclusion regarding the variant views of the kingdom, is the conclusion exactly which Dr. Machen gave in that paragraph, I read. I believe the vital thing is that we believe Christ is coming back in bodily visible ~~the~~ form. That we have the great hope that even so come Lord Jesus. That is the great hope on this matter. I believe ~~the~~ vital thing is to stress knowledge of salvation through grace, which I think is a hundred times more important, to win some one who is lost to be saved, than it is to change an a-millennialist, or a post-millennialist into a pre-millennialist. I do not believe it is a matter ~~o~~ for salvation, but a matter for comfort and encouragement of believers. But I feel there is tremendous harm in the method of interpretation which the a-millennialist uses. I think the method is far worse, than the false hope which the post-millennialist gets, from his interpretation. Therefore I think a-millennialism is so much nearer pre-millennialism than post-millennialism is. It is a far more danger in its effect, because it means the introduction of such very, very concrete methods of interpreting a large portion of the Bible, and how are you going to restrict them there, and make absolutely sure they don't fit in to the remote passages which you think are important. I think it would be helpful that we accept not merely the didactic portions of the New Testament, which the a-millennialists are ~~all~~ always talking about, but that we accept the whole Bible, Old and New. I think that is very very important. I think it is important for us that as a doctrine, that we have the great hope of the return of the blessed Christ, which might come very soon. That the a-millennialist can hold, but I think we should also get the great blessed teaching of the millennium.

NEXT CLASS.

Last time, H. was variant views of the Kingdom of Christ. At the end of the hour we spoke about number six, Conclusions regarding variant views of the Kingdom, and I stressed the fact that it is extremely important to believe in the visible bodily return of Christ. But it is not the - it is not absolutely essential that we give the same terminology about the kingdom. It is vital that we realize that ~~it is our~~ He is our king, and it is our duty to obey him.