

important train of events which it led~~to~~. David's gathering himself a party of the distressed, the bankrupt, the discontented, prefigures Christ receiving into His Church publicans and sinners. And thus, if you are going to take figures, and allegories, as a ~~xxx~~ method of getting truth, you can get anything at all. You can find anything you want in the Scriptures.

And it has been done through the ages, by many different writers and ~~a~~ many different students. And so there is a ^{very} great ~~xxxx~~ warning for us about it. When I was down in South America, I heard of a very fine minister in one of the fine Christian churches there, a national, who preached a sermon on the good Samaritan. And he told how the man ~~xxx~~ fell among thieves and was injured, and he was troubled. What was the trouble with the man? The trouble was that he was going down from Jerusalem ~~to~~ ^{from} the place of blessedness, down to Jericho, the place of wickedness, so naturally he fell among ~~xxxx~~ thieves and was injured. Well, then a priest came along and he ~~wixwx~~ walked past and ~~payxx~~ paid no attention to him, why, because he was also on the downward path, he was going down to Jericho from Jerusalem, and the Levite did the same. Well, when this man told me about it, having heard the sermon, I said what about the good Samaritan? Oh, he said, he was coming up from Jericho. He was on his way up to Jerusalem, he was going up to the better land, so naturally he stopped and helped the man. Well, there is none of this in Christ's parable. It is not the purpose of His parable, at all. But to take each particular figure of it and try to get an illustration or an idea from this, and gather truth from it is something which can become very dangerous.

Now in opposition to that danger there are some people who go very far against it. They cannot say there is no such thing as a type. It does not exist. They cannot say that, because the New Testament ~~xxx~~ speaks about it. The Book of Hebrews speaks of them, the Book of Romans speaks of them, there are various references in the New