

preach the gospel were forbidden to do so, except under very strict rules which a man, even Baxter could not possibly agree to, and it was illegal to hold a group of more than five people to present the Word, without the authority of the king, and we read here, of how the curse came about upon Baxter. We read here that what happened by this regime that Baxter silence had helped to allow to come in. The Ency. Britt. tells us here that Baxter was persecuted, ~~xxxxxxx~~ the meeting house that he built for himself was closed down, he was forbidden to preach anymore in Kitterminster. In 1680 he was seized in his house, and conveyed away, at the risk of his life. He was carried three times ~~g~~ to the ....5....house in 1684, ~~xxxxxx~~ scarcely able to stand. In 1685 he was committed to the King's Bench Prison, because his paraphrase of the New Testament had some pharases in it they thought were disrespectful, which he said he never would dream of such a thing...5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ... He was ~~xxxxxxx~~ dragged before Judged Jeffrey on this occasion, and Jeffrey proposed he be whipped at the .....5 $\frac{1}{2}$ .... He was put into prison for 18 months. He was subjected to the same ~~xxxxx~~ misery that came upon all the righteous people during that time, and had it not been for the <sup>(action?)</sup> accident of history of 1688, England would have had.....5  $\frac{3}{4}$ ...,and the gospel would have been completely wiped out. Baxter was a great Christian, but he failed there to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

Well, now, I say we must examine ourselves and be sure that we are following the Lord, and presenting His work. But I say we have a duty to come to the ~~the~~ help of the Lord against the mighty. And in our day there are two forces in particular which can be called the mighty. And I know of many fine Christian people who are trying to ignore both of these forces, and to preach the word and show the  $\frac{1}{2}$  love of God in their lives, but not do do anything against these forces, but rather to criticize those who are doing something against them, and to pick flaws in their lives, and in their characters, and to be of hindrance to them. And I feel that there is tremendous danger here. And I think it is important that we ~~ga~~ take this warning, lest this warning apply to us. Curse ye ....6  $\frac{3}{4}$ .... because she came not