

there was where it had been for 2,000 years & until God caused that again the remains should be dug up from under the sands of the desert to show that this statement in the Bible book of Jonah alone had preserved the greatness of that great nation . What an opportunity the people of Nineveh had when Jonah came in there and began to preach the word of God and the interest swept the city and there was a tremendous turning to God ~~for~~ we read here , one of the great revivals of history. What a marvelous opportunity ~~to people-~~ the people of Nineveh had . But within 200 years later , the people had turned back to their sin and their wickedness to such a great extent that God just swept it off the face of the earth with that tremendous destruction. When I read about it , I can't help thinking about ~~our~~ our nation. Think of the way in which this nation was founded, of the way in which the Word of God was preached in this nation. ~~Of the hosts~~ _____ the great German constitutional ~~his~~ historian says in his history of the U.S. that it is a thing that he has found no parallel anywhere in history, that when the Civil War ~~occur-~~ occurred in the U.S. that people North and South on both sides declared their readiness to abide by the Bible and change any particular thing that was shown to them that that was what the Bible taught, and he says in history there has never been a war in which the principles of International Law were preserved as carefully as they were in that war, that civil wars are usually the most bloody and the most cruel of ~~wars~~ wars, but here you find on both sides ~~that~~ ~~an~~ observance of humanitarian principles . There was plenty of cruelty ^{but} --plenty of brutality . There always is in war, /compared to most wars there was a desire on both sides , in fact there were ~~revia~~ revivals in both armies but the U.S. is a nation ~~that~~ has had the privilege of the preaching of the Word of God , and a nation in which the principles of our life have been built up upon the principles taught in the Word of God, its principles of free enterprise, its principles of the importance of the individual, and of the life of the individual as against the state . The great principles