

Tues eve. #12

Yahvist(sp?0, the J writer, an old story which he gave as the ~~explanation~~ explanation of how sin came into the world." And then he went on to say, "We have our choice: which are we going to take? The myth of Pithecanthropus erectus," he said, "or the myth of Genesis 3?" Well, now, he's making evolution a myth - the "myth of Pithecanthropus erectus." And he's making Genesis 3 a myth. I don't think the evolutionists would like that. And I am sure the Bible believers shouldn't like it. But they call them both "myths." He says, "Which are we going to pick?" And then he went on to give a beautiful figure. He said, "That is man like? He said, "Is man like the Colosseum? - a great ~~tem~~ tremendous structure, a colossal thing, but in ruins, in a ruined condition? Or is man like a ranch house in one of our suburbs? Which is man like? Well," he said, "is he like the Colosseum, a great wonderful structure, but in ruins? retaining some signs of its former majesty. Or is he like the convenient ranch house?" he said, "the ranch house", he said, "which can be quite small but very comfortable, very functional, and you can add new sections as ~~h~~ you want, much more comfortable to live in than the Colosseum." Well, he went on to say, "yet," he said, "the dictatorships have come, not from the Colosseum, but from the ranch house." I don't know what he based that on, but that's what he said. "And," he said, "the ranch houses some think will degenerate into the worst slums of all, eventually." I don't know what he based it on. But the picture he gave was a true picture as to the attitude question of the attitude we're going to take toward man: Is man the great product that God made, with tremendous potentialities, made in the image of God, but fallen through sin? And needing to be restored? Or is man something that is going on and on, getting better and better, gradually going forward and all we have to do is to just wait, and if there ever was a fall, it's a fall upward, like the liberals were saying a few years ago? Which of these ~~two~~ two could is it? Well, you ~~can~~ see he wanted to stand with the evangelical Christian viewpoint ~~on~~ these things, ~~it~~ but the only basis he could put it on is, "Which myth are you going to take." "Which view are you going to take?" Well you can't