

by a communication from someone who knows. And the average high school teacher has learned ~~it~~ 97 ~~per~~ percent of everything he knows by revelation, by ~~some~~ communication, ~~by~~ what someone else has told him in the class, or by what he has ~~read~~ read that somebody else has written in a book. If you've never been to China, how do you know anything about ~~China~~ China? Because somebody who has been there has told you; or has written in a book that you have ~~read~~ read. And if ~~you've~~ you've never been to heaven, ~~if~~ if you've never ~~lived~~ lived in the future time, and seen what going to be there, the only way you can know anything about it is a revelation, a communication from one who knows. And there's only one who knows, and that's God. And so God revealed it to Paul, and Paul tells it to us. "By ~~the~~ the word of the Lord" he says, "we sat ~~x~~ unto you, ... that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of ~~the~~ the Lord shall not precede ~~the~~ them who are asleep." Now my Bible, here, says, "shall not precede them who are asleep." Now that makes sense, doesn't it? But in my Bible here, there are two little lines before and after the ~~word~~ word "precede" / ~~precede~~ and two little letters, "gg," and you look up in the margin by "gg" and it says, "KJV prevent." So in the King James Version, in most copies of it, it says, "we shall not prevent them who which are asleep." And what sense does that make? It means absolutely nothing to anybody living today - as if we would stop those who are <sup>asleep</sup> ~~asleep~~ - we would hold them back; that's what "prevent" means today. To keep it from happening. But "prevent" in the time when the King James Version was made meant ~~to precede~~ "to precede." And today, the word has changed its meaning and another word has taken its place. And so when we revised this Scofield Bible we put this word "precede" instead of ~~the~~ "prevent" so ~~that~~ that people would know exactly what Paul said <sup>that</sup> Instead of the way/what he said was translated three hundred years ago by a word that doesn't mean that anymore today.

But we will not <sup>precede</sup> prevent those who are asleep. Evidently these ~~these~~ Thessalonians were a bit worried. They said, "Jesus is coming back ~~soon~~ soon. And isn't it wonderful, we're going to see Him when He comes, and be with Him. But, oh, poor Uncle John here. ~~has died~~ He's died. And he won't have a chance to see Jesus when