

periods of time? Some very good interpreters have taken this latter view.

2. Is the anointed one in v. 25 Christ or Cyrus? I believe that is important. Isa. 44:26-45:1 says, Cyrus will rebuild Jerusalem. He will rebuild my city. He is my anointed. This very term Messiah (Anointed) is used of Cyrus. We have no right to assume that this word Messiah in v. 25 means Christ. I believe it does, in v. 26. But in v. 25, we have no right to assume it in either case without examination, and certainly no right to assume it in v. 25.

I'd better stop here because you will want to get copies of these questions for review. I'm not giving any assignment for next time to give you time to look over these questions. Please read those 4 verses: 9:24-27, and have them in mind so that we can discuss them at our next meeting.