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relates to our walk, that is to our conduct in life. God did not give to us the Bible in order to explain all the mysteries of the universe. If you were going to try to plant some beautiful trees around this place-- Mr Taylor ishighly trained in tree plaining and tree surgery and if he could explain to you the kind of tree you want to grow on this particular soil. But after he had given you a year or two of insturction in doong that, you could hardly qualify as an expert on the growth of fig trees and of orange trees in Florida or in California. It takes years of instruction for you to become expert in those lines. But there is no point in his trying given to teach you that while you were here. And the Bible was gien to us to teach us how we should walk. How we should live our lives. So that is its primary purpose.

But along with that God tells us a great many facts about Himself. We find a very common tendency to take a verse here and a verse there, put them together and perhaps get a very definite idea about a certain fact about God. And then get another certain fact about God somewhere else, and put these together and make an inference from them and build a whole **xex** system of \_\_\_\_\_ and think we can get  $\frac{1}{2}/\frac{1}{2}$  an understanding of all the great things of God's universe and character in that way. That's not why God gave us the Bible. He gave us the Bible in order to teach us how we should live on this earth and in the course of it, He gave us these facts we need to know. So in most schools the general attitudde is, Here is a question. Let's look at the Bible and see the answer. The Bible definitely states this. Alright. The Bible doesn't definitely state it so we believe the opposite! Does the Bible teach this or that? We at Biblical believe we should go to every question of every matter with three questions: Does the Bible teach this? Does the Bible deny it? Or does the Bible not deal