

There were the two kinds of people there. That's not to decide whether there will or won't--the Lord can choose what he wants to. But that would show it's not inconceivable. That they could be together because he was together with them. in a resurrection body.

Of course there are many things we don't understand. Suppose somebody 500 years ago started describing today and said people would have breakfast in London, lunch in New York and supper in San Francisco when in those days it took you a month to cross the ocean and 6 weeks to get to San Francisco. You'd think that fellow is surely out of his mind. The Lord can certainly do thousands of things we know not about now. As far as the details are concerned there's an awful lot we don't know. But that we can say anything is impossible, we don't know enough. Whatever He reveals must be possible.

(Comment re G. Vos)

When the fact comes there are a lot of things we don't expect or understand, but what is clearly revealed is a fact. It will happen. It seems to be revealed that Christ is coming and our great hope is in His coming, but when he comes he's going to destroy the wicked one. The OT predicts clearly that sometime either before or after (he comes) there's going to be a time of universal peace. In other words we could hold a postmillennial view that the whole world will be won for Christ and maybe there will be some people left who are not regenerate but the bulk will be regenerate. They will have control. Then these statements about the _____ will be figurative--that is the animals stand for people.

Of course there we find in 1 Cor 15 that-- no, Romans 8 we have the (v.20) "For the creation was subjected to frustration not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage of decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God." I think KJV translates that creature rather than creation, but the next v. the KJV as well as NIV translates by "creation."

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time." Not only so . . . we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies." That seems to picture a creation that will be free from the curse. It seems to picture a change in which the body will be relieved from its being subject to decay and the creation relieved from violence in which one animal is eaten by another. That would seem to be what will happen, not simply by being destroyed but by creation being changed. Some other thoughts?

(Comments)--need to handle what's been given thus far.
I wish we could then adjourn now for about six days.
(Comment--Isaiah passages, etc.)

I think of it as three positions: I think of what you might call the postmillennial position: the gospel is going to keep