

ended on their ear. Well, is it worth it? Is it worth it? Are those people any surer of going to heaven because they don't make that particular error of exegesis? Are they any better Christians? Are they glorifying the Lord more in their community because of that? I would say that in the course of years^{if} you can train people to have reasonable same attitudes toward the Word of God, you are doing a wonderful service. But I don't see ~~xx~~ any reason to go head on against people's ~~prexx~~ prejudices. I know of a ~~few~~ fellow who had a partial course here, and he went out with the idea that the rapture is going to be after the tribulation. Well, I think that is definitely contrary to the teaching of the Word of God. But it is not a question right now as to whether it is contrary to the teaching of the Word of God, whether it is contrary to it or not, is that important enough to make a big issue in the church? He got into the church and he had alot of people there who were3..... of what I think is the Scriptural teaching, that though there may be many tribulations before the rapture, what they call the Tribulation comes after the rapture. Well, he went into the church, ~~and~~ and these people who perhaps hadn't thought it through fully, but had a strong idea on it, these people were disgusted with something he said in his sermon.3¹....., he said, you are absolutely wrong. This is what the Bible says. He3¹..... I think he had a church of fifty people, and 43 of them walked out on him. It is perfectly silly. What on earth is accomplished that ~~xx~~ way? I mean, suppose he had been right in his view. Is it going to make a big difference with people's ~~testimony~~ testimony to the Lord whether the rapture is before or after ~~the~~ the tribulation? Is it going to make any great difference with the number they are able to lead to Christ? Or ~~would~~ ^{with} the glory that they bring to God's name? I think personally that it is very dishonoring to the Lord to make divisions among Christian people over matters that are secondary or that are not clearly taught in the Word. I know of some people who broke away from a church because they thought it was important to use leavened bread in communion. Well, now, if the Lord wanted us to use leavened bread in the communion, he could have said so. Maybe it gives the lesson better. Maybe you can make a big argument out of it, but if so it is not a ground to divide churches. If you can win