

dark if one is expecting by human means to bring any sort of millennium. However, I have found that human efforts to predict the future are not very good. There are too many factors that we cannot evaluate. The only One who can correctly predict the future is the God who controls the future. I have a book here which was written under the direct supervision of the Spirit of God. It is made up of 66 parts written at many different periods by many different men. They were men of every conceivable type, and yet all of them wrote under the direct supervision of the Holy Spirit of God. Christians have always believed that this book is the very Word of God--that its statements are free from error and are absolutely dependable. Therefore when I find a clear statement somewhere in the Bible I am ready to stand upon it. I know that it is true; otherwise God would not have allowed it to stand in the book that He has given us.

In this Bible I find, not merely in one place, but in many places, the promise that a time is coming when righteousness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. God assures us that there will be a time when peace will be universal. In Isaiah 2:2-4, He says that men will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks and nation will not lift up sword against nation any more. In Isaiah 11 He predicts a time when even the destructive aspects of the forces of nature will be changed, so that the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and a little child will lead them. There are many wonderful pictures in the Bible of a grand time of happiness and joy and universal peace that is ahead. The Scripture gives us absolute certainty that we can depend upon the coming of such a period. We don't have to depend upon human guesses, or human speculation, or upon human effort, God has promised to bring it in. Therefore, I call it a miracle.

Mr. Steele:-- Dr. MacRae, I have heard you speak about the "Millennial Kingdom." Why do you refer to the millennium as a kingdom?