

intervene in the marvellous providential way and God has not so intervened  
in many of these areas, the United States as a whole <sup>may</sup> ~~would~~ become like  
England and more so. Nobody can say that it won't. We need an awful  
lot of prayer to the Lord to bring back our nation to God. But now ~~the~~  
third point which is very essential in understanding the Old Testament and  
the New. #. #. 3. God's determination to preserve a witness in the world.  
Romans ~~1:23-25~~ one and two tells us how man turn away from God  
and substitute the worship of creeping things ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> the worship of God, the  
worship of idols, the worship of humanity itself. It is the common religion  
of the bulk of the people today, Worshipping humanity ~~itself~~ <sup>itself</sup> ~~rather~~ <sup>rather</sup> instead  
of ~~worship~~ <sup>a</sup>  
~~than~~ worshipping God. But God determined to preserve <sup>a</sup> witness in the world.  
Some people think you pick up the Bible and you find ~~out that~~ - a miracle  
on every page. Some people think that you are glorifying God to make  
things grotesque and just as contrary to nature as you possibly can. You  
open the Bible and read page after page, ~~book~~ book after book, long chapters  
one after the other, <sup>and</sup> ~~You~~ find no miracle, no evidence of God's interference  
with a normal course of the world which He has established, the miracles of the  
Bible represent ~~God~~ - God's ~~crucial~~ - interference at ~~a~~ crucial points to preserve  
a witness to Himself in the World. And therefore God intervenes with a  
marvellous action in order that man would not put God out of <sup>his</sup> consciousness,  
<sup>these</sup>  
altogether and follow Satan entirely. God intervenes with ~~His~~ marvellous  
action. <sup>S</sup> And my guess is that when you have eight nations in which the gospel  
is pretty much <sup>pro-</sup> ~~claimed~~, that God blesses those who pray to Him and work  
for Him and those who let their own ~~sing~~ <sup>sing</sup> take primary places, He allows  
~~the nations~~ their nations to sink back. That is all part of His plans.  
But when you have only one place where God is in all, God intervenes <sup>S</sup> with