

physical rest and it is wrong to restrict his walking on Sunday to a fraction of a mile. ~~He ought to take a good long~~ -- to take an hour's walk sometime on Sunday would be one of the most restful thing he could do.

The Scripture is absolutely true and inerrant ~~here~~, but we recognize that the application of certain Scriptural statements to particular ~~situations~~ --- cultural situations. Thus it is important to have in mind what == the idea or fact and not culturally oriented. The ideas of facts are not culturally oriented. The mistaken ideas in men's minds are not included in the Scripture but the application varies with circumstances. Some parts of the Bible are applicable at one time. Some ~~xxx~~ at another. What was very applicable 100 years ago may be difficult for us to understand today. One hundred years from now if the Lord tarries it may become very meaningful to us. Situations change.

Thus the matter of application of Scripture to situations is something that we must carefully study and not simply jump to conclusions from a few words. ~~Above all~~ it is vital to remember that God purposely allowed a few small errors of transmission to occur so that we do not have the exact words of the original. Even more important, <sup>than</sup> that almost any sentence in almost any language has various possibilities of interpretation and must be interpreted in light of context and usage of words at the particular time. Therefore we should not build a teaching upon one sentence taken by itself, but should compare Scripture with Scripture. If we compare Scripture with Scripture, if we recognize the possibility of small errors of transmission, if we recognize the possibility of words changing their meanings, we must nevertheless in the background of our thinking recognize that whatever God caused to be written is free from error and therefore authoritative to us not merely regarding matters that we may decide are spiritual or religious but regarding any matter with which they deal.