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what He has stated elsewhere, but the words would not be there unless God intended to convey a definite idea and it would be worth a substantial effort to discover the meaning of the particular verse. It might alter some detail of our understanding of something taught elsewhere, or perhaps add a new facet or angle.

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At the moment I am busily preparing a study of the prophecies of Daniel. Apart from a few main facts clearly taught in the New Testament I am trying very hard to avoid bringing in anything that is not specifically contained in the statements in the book of Daniel, and when studying its earlier prophecies I am carefully refraining from reading into them anything gained from later prophecies, although I feel it altogether right in interpreting his later prophecies to take into account material gleaned from his earlier ones. I am looking at every reasonable interpretation, but excluding from my conclusions everything that would be at all questionable, not because I do not believe that great progress can be made by study of the Scripture as a whole, but because I feel that one of the great needs, particularly in the area of prophecy, is to study each section very carefully, avoiding prejudgment as much as possible, in order (1) to see exactly what the section definitely teaches, (2) to see what it may possibly teach, and (3) to determine what ideas should be definitely excluded from the particular passage.

Dr. Waltke deserves credit for beginning the paper with this emphasis on the danger of prejudgment. Yet I see no reason why it

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