

Amos introduces with the words "in that day". He quotes then the verses which are relevant ending with the vital words, "the nations upon whom my name is called," showing that Gentiles or nations of this type will still be a vital portion of those who are looking for Christ and His coming back to set up His kingdom upon this earth.

As we see when we examine the passage scientifically considering the exact meaning of the phrases used and seeing their bearing in relation to the context and in relation to the argument ~~which~~ to the matter which is under discussion that the premillennial interpretation of this passage makes perfect sense and presents James as a man of understanding applying the Old Testament passage to the situation involved. While the ~~the~~ non-premillennial interpretation of the passage is not in line with the actual words as they are used assumes that the New Testament does something which done at all is not done by the N.T. but by the Septuagint, has no satisfactory explanation of the reason why James introduces the quotation with the words, "Behold, I will return and" and has no relevance whatever to the problem under discussion at the meeting. It would represent James simply as a man who takes a verse out of context and we note that the succeeding verses in Amos are clear descriptions of a tremendous increase in fertility of the world which is a concrete physical description of the conditions represented in Christ's earthly kingdom and has no possible relevance to the church age. It takes it entirely out of context and applies them in a way in which it has no relation to the argument under consideration.

It is very unfortunate that Christians ~~do~~ frequently take verses out of context, jump to conclusions simply from phrases ~~which~~ without study of what they mean in the context, exact comparison of the original words with the translations that have been made through the ages and with the use of them which the N.T. has. God has not given us ~~us~~ simply a Book of wonderful mottos. He has given us a