

the next verse or deal ~~it/all~~ with it entirely by itself?

Now, it is calling the people to appear before God to discuss something, and there is an undertone in it that God's power is great but perhaps not brought out at all in the verse. A big argument might be brought out that there is no thought in particular of power in this verse, but it calls them to consider something, and the thing to be considered is in the next verse. And what is the next verse, Mr. Gustafson? Is the next verse discussing the creation? Or is it the birth of Christ, or is it His second coming? Or what is it, Mr. Heaney? What did you put it under on your chart? The power of God. There certainly would be much more reason to put No. 2 under the power of God than No. 1, wouldn't there? No. 1 could hardly come under the power of God unless considered as introducing 2, but in v. 2 who gave, who raised up a certain person? Who gave the nations before him, made him rule over kings, gave them as the dust to his sword, as driven stubble to his bow? There certainly is a claim made that God has allowed some man to perform tremendous works in the world, isn't it? So there is a claim made about the power of God. The theme would seem to be the power of God, unless this righteous man from the east seems so important to you that he is not an example of the power of God, but that it becomes a theme in itself, and that would depend on whether you have any other verses anywhere that also talk about this righteous man from the east. You notice the picture in this verse. Someone has come from the east, and has overcome nations, ruled over kings, and reduced them to the position of dust. Now v. 3, of course, simply continues the discussion in v. 2 about this righteous man, doesn't it? There is nothing said about God, about His power, about His glory, about comfort, about deliverance about anything in v. 3, excepting the continuation of what was in v. 2, and v. 2 if it deals with the power of God, this might be