

land, there would be tremendous accessions to the Roman Catholic Church--tremendous numbers of people running for help to the Virgin Mary. Well, in the situation like that, what is Israel going to do? Should Israel worship idols? So v. 8 is a verse of comfort, but it tells us more than comfort, doesn't it? V. 8 tells us that Israel in this situation need not look to idols. It has another One to Whom it can look, and so it brings out Israel's special relation to God. 5 and 6? 5 and 6 are verses which contain 3 and 4. In v.2 we have a description of a man coming conquering nations. This man from the east has overcome nations, v. 2 told us. He ~~really/over~~ rules over kings. They are like the dust in a storm--like driven stubble to a bow. V.3 he is pursuing them and passing over safely and taking these many nations, one after another