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is coming. He may come today. He may come tomorrow. You keep yourself clean." You say, "Oh, yes, I am going to be all ready the minute He comes," but if you know that His coming doesn't come until after the defeat of Japan it is interesting and important to know He is definitely coming and very vital. It is a valuable thing to have that information but as far as the exhortation to keep clean is concerned, that would be merely an exhortation addressed to the people living after their time. It would have no relevance to the present time. Now it seems to me--I am asking, "Can we get away from it, that this is an exhortation for Christian living to people after, immediately after the departure of Christ? Is it an exhortation to Christian living after some distant event, or is it an exhortation right now to Christian living?" Now it may be that we'd say this is a problem. We don't know, but I don't then see how else to interpret it. When it comes to determining the history of the future, working out of details, we have to fit everything together definitely, but when it comes, it seems to me we can say this, that if this is not to be connected with what precedes and follows it in Luke, if you have to get something elsewhere to get the meaning of it for your soul, that the Holy Spirit wouldn't put it here. That is, it seems to me we are justified in saying that this passage in the context in Luke must have a meaning for people reading this chapter apart from other passages. Now, there are things you can't tell about from this chapter, plenty you can't. You say as far as this chapter is concerned we don't know. It's this or that or the other thing, but there must be something that can be drawn from it in this context without relating to anything else and it would appear to me rather difficult to avoid the conclusion that He is here giving an argument,<sup>a</sup> /fourth argument for Christian living that you are to be like men that wait for their lord, if you don't know whether he is coming in the second watch or the third, you don't know when he is coming, but you are at all times to be ready because he comes in an hour when you think not. It would