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Specific reference to Damsacus and we do have considerable specific reference to the glory of Jacob, to Ephraim, so we wonder whether it isn't really the northern kingdom that is here talked about, rather than Damascus at all. It makes you feel that the title isn't very apt right here. The burden of Damascus--perhaps it means the burden that is suggested by Damascus, not the message about Damascus but the message that takes Damascus for its starting point and deals with Damascus, which is the great cause of fear for Judah, but deals more particularly with the one that shouldn't have been with Damascus and shouldn't have turned against them. It's a very interesting thing about that chapter. You just can't always go by titles unless you are going to try to interpret the whole chapter in such a way as to prove that it really is about Damascus but there is mighty little to suggest it except for the title and the first two verses. Another interesting question. Do you think Chapter 18 should begin where it does or should it begin three verses earlier? What is your opinion on that? Does v. 12 ff. belong with what precedes or with what follows? That is an interesting problem worth thinking about. And then, of course, we come to the burden of Egypt. Now in the first two chapters in 17 and 18, how much of blessing did you find in those chapters? Mr. Ludlam, what was your first verse of blessing in 17 and 18. (Student) Nothing before that? Anybody else find anything before 18:7? Mr. Moffitt? (Student) 17:6-8. The promise that there will be gleanings. There is to be a remnant, and in that day shall men look to their Maker and their eyes shall have respect to the Holy One of Israel. They will not look to the altars. That surely is a passage of blessing, isn't it? Purging of God's people, giving them a time of real trust in God. (Student) Yes. Of course, purging can be thought of in two ways, the fact of the purging of the multitude or the fact that there is left some pure wheat. I think the emphasis here is on the pure wheat, so I think that you should consider these ^{three} t/o verses as an interesting blessing passage here in 17 and then you said 18:6. 18:7, yes. Yes, that's very interesting. A