

bad enough to suffer when you deserve it, but you can expect in life to have to suffer when you don't deserve it, and it is wonderful when we can suffer for what we don't deserve, and quitey ~~xx~~ accept it, knowing that, if you are following God, He will deliver us in his own time. Here we find in this chapter that Daniel was cast into the lion's den, but God marvelously delivered him. These six chapters form a unit, and the purpose of them is to strengthen God's people, so that they may stand true to Him in the face of persecution. There's no question of it. That's the one purpose for all six, to assure us of God's control, and strengthen us in time of difficulty and persecution, to stand true to Him. Now there's no mention ....2... of A.E., nothing to suggest him specifically, but everything here is to prepare for such crises as that which he brought them, and when he came, that was the first great crisis of this type. That is, after the beginning of the exile. Now, the last six chapters, as you all know, are the prophetic section, and if you were to divide these six into main sections of the book, how many would you divided it into, Mr. Abernathy?..... AAM; Mr. Abernathy had the course in prophets some years ago, and the rest had the discussion of ~~it~~ this just two weeks ago, in class. Mr. A. had it some time ago, and he would remember that there were three chapters that go together, but for an instance he wasn't sure whether it was 9,10, and 11, or 10,11, and 12. Actually, as you all know now, we have a date beginning ch.7, when Daniel had a vision, a date beginning ch.8, when he had a vision, a date beginning ch.9 when he had a vision, a date beginning ten when he had a vision, and these four dates go in consecutive chronological order, and then at the beginning of ch.11, the poor archbishop made a mistake. And read the words, also I in the first year of Darius the Mede which looked to him like a date, but if he hadn't been on quite such a jogging road, he would have seen that it is no date at all. And it is no beginning of a chapter at all. It is just a continuation of what we have in ch.10. In ch.10 there is a prayer, and the answer begins to come. In ch.11 the answer continues, and there would be a proper chapter division between 11:1 and 11:2, not where it is. But it would not be a ~~main~~ main section, like the previous chapters,