

by the Jewish apostates as a Messiah king, and by the Christian apostates as the antichrist. In middle of the 70th week he will come and take his seat in the Jerusalem, and will claim divine worship (Gaebelein)." Well, now, why doesn't he say, 1. A.E., 2. Constantine the Great, 3. Omar....., 4. The Roman Empire, 5.a. the antichrist, a Gentile, 5.b, the antichrist, a Jew, 6. pope of Rome and the papal system, 7, Herod the Great, 8. the antichrist, without saying whether he is a Jew or a Gentile? This may be called the traditional interpretation of the Christian church. I mean that is a very very strange sort of a classification. The fifth view isn't another view at all. It is the antichrist, which he gives ~~xxx~~ as the 8th view, the traditional interpretation of the Christian Church. And divides the 5th into two parts, one whether he is the antichrist who is the little horn of Daniel 7, or whether he is the antichrist ~~ix~~ who is not to be identified with the little horn of Daniel. Well, that's a question of ~~x~~ how you take ch.7, not how you take ch.11. Both of them are taking ch.11 as the antichrist. And the question of whether the antichrist is a Jew or a Gentile doesn't effect whether he is the antichrist or not. It is merely certain parts of the body. It is as if you say these are the people who want to vote for Eisenhower as ~~one~~ president, and these are the people who want to vote for Stevenson for president, and these are the people who want to vote for Eisenhower on the assumption that he wears a red hat, and these are the people who want to vote for Eisenhower on the ~~s~~ assumption that he wears a green hat. They would all vote for Eisenhower. But it is very strange. But why is it, why does a person take an ~~xxxxix~~ attitude like that? I mean, an intelligent person who has done an awful lot of study, and has written some very fine things you would think would be more consistent in a classification like this in ~~ix~~ the views, than to arrange in this particular fashion. Well, this we have noticed ch.7 and ch.2, and that each ends with the setting up of a new kingdom, a kingdom which will not be destroyed, which cannot be destroyed, the saints of the most high shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever/ and ever. Now this kingdom, according to ch.7, is the kingdom which is given to the son of Man after he comes in the clouds of the heavens, and that is rather strange to connect up with a view that the kingdom ~~is~~ is now, the son of man ~~is~~ now