

here is a prediction, that somebody is going to come and certain things are going to happen. Now if you have a prediction that there will be wars and rumors of wars, that will have a double fulfillment, they may have a hundred of them, there can be predictions of two or three events, or there can be a prediction that whenever a certain situation occurs a certain result will occur. That could be repeated, but that a prediction, when you say that Jesus will begin His preaching in Galilee (8 1/4)

why that is fulfilled. Then are we going to say, now something has got to happen up there at the second coming, in order to fit with that, that has got to be a fulfillment, a double fulfillment? It has happened, it has been filled. And when it says that Cyrus will come and will release them from Babylon, let them go, that happened, is that a picture of something future? Where are you going to stop (8 3/4) with that principle.

I feel that if a thing ^{hasn't yet} happened, ^{is still going to} it happens. If it has happened, it has. Now there may be something similar in the future, but you have no right to say there is going to be something similar in the future if you can point to a satisfactory fulfillment that has already been. Judas would sell the Lord for 29 pieces of silver. That was predicted, it has occurred. I don't see any reason to think we're going to have the same thing happen again, some other time. I feel that a prediction of a person or an event normally refers to one person or one event, unless there is something in the context to make clear it is more than one event. Now of course where you expect the greatest problem with that is in the case in Hosea, where it says, out of Egypt have I called my son, and it says in Matthew, this is done that it might be fulfilled, out of Egypt have I called my son. And some liberal commentators will say, well, Matthew simply took the point of exegesis, any verse he could find that sounded like something in the life of Christ, it was a prediction. Well, I don't see that is satisfactory at all. I am inclined on that, very strongly, to hold that those words in Hosea really are a prediction of Christ and nothing else. That those particular words are not a referring back to the coming of Israel out of Egypt. It says, when Israel was a child I loved him, and