

clear teachings in many places that there is to be a golden age. It is not usually stated when it is going to be, but it is often stated that there is to be a golden age. Now many an amillennialist will say, All these are pictures of peace in the heart of the Christian. Or they are pictures of the intermediate state when we are in heaven before the resurrection. Or they are just pictures of heaven in general. They are $\frac{1}{2}$ pictures not of a golden age upon this earth." Many will say that. I wonder if any of the disciples said that.

Let's look at Acts One. In Acts One we read that Jesus was 40 days with his disciples after his resurrection giving them many ~~infallible~~ infallible proofs, being seen of them 40 days and speaking to them of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. Now let us imagine during those 40 days He told them, "Now some people think the OT teaches a golden age upon this earth. Some people think I am going to reign over this earth. Well now that's a misinterpretation. The kingdom of God is within you -- it's your character that matters, it's going to be your attitude so that even with violence around you you have peace in your heart. There is not going to be any such golden age." Now that is an idea that he surely could have taught to them clearly in 40 days, if he desired to do it. Listen to what we read: vs. 4 (Reading text --- "Being assembled together with them -- this is at the end of the 40 days, he commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the Father, which he said ye have heard of me; for John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together they asked of him saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" Now if he had been such a teaching for 40 days there was not ~~any~~ going to be any golden age; they were not going to be anything you'd call the kingdom of Israel. But they were simply to go out and preach the word and then he would come back, and that would be the end of this world. There is no such golden age as many think in the OT. Can't you just imagine how he'd feel? I know how he'd feel because I have sometimes in a class expound some principle of a Heb verb, and I've explained it and explained it and explained it, and then I've found somebody over here that didn't catch a word of what I'd said, and I have felt just