

other hand some equally consecrated and gifted scholars feel that Chapter 21 reverts to giving more details about the millennium. Personally I incline toward this view, but would certainly not be dogmatic about it. As for the Bible teaching the establishment after the millennium of a permanent unchanging situation, this seems to me to be an unlikely guess. I believe that God has purposes for us through all eternity.

It is very important that we stand squarely upon whatever we find clearly taught in the Scripture, and that we label as guesses our ideas on matters that are not clearly revealed. As we study various passages new questions may arise in our minds. Reading other passages, we may find the answers to these questions answers that we might have passed right over without seeing their significance if we had not already had the questions in mind.

Thus every time we go through the Scripture we may learn new truths, but we may also become aware of new questions to which God may or may not give us the answers later on.

Isaiah spoke to his own contemporaries, and the Holy Spirit uses his words to speak to believers at later times. The material after Isaiah 66:12 gives us assurance that God's people will receive great blessings that will never end. It also promises that the physical descendants of Israel will receive particular blessings from the Lord. It is likely that this material summarizes various emphases in the book rather than necessarily looking forward to a still later time.