

And let me read you verse 18 on: "For I reckon that the sufferings of the present time are not worthy to be compared with ~~the~~ the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation waits for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creation was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope. Because the creation itself shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." Now up to this place I've changed the word "creature" in the King James Version into "creation" which is an equally possible rendering of the Greek. Now the same Greek word occurs in the next verse, and there the King James Version translates it as "creation." "For we know that the whole creation groans ^{and travails} ~~groans and travails~~ in pain together until now." Now, isn't that a picture in that verse of the world with the curse upon it, that God placed upon it in Genesis 3 on account of man's sin? The whole ~~the~~ creation groans and travails in pain until now" as a result of man's sin, and ~~as~~ a result of the curse God has placed upon it which results in animals killing animals, and animals being a danger to man. But And He said about it in verse 20, "the creation was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope." And verse 21 says, "the creation itself shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption unto the glorious liberty of the children of God." And so Paul says, "The time is coming when the curse will be removed, and when no longer/ will animals destroy one another or be a danger to man." And Isaiah describes ~~the situation~~ that situation in Isaiah 11, at which we looked; he describes that situation, that marvelous time coming when the curse is removed, after Jesus Christ returns to this earth, and with the rod of His mouth He smites the earth, and with the breath of His lips He slays the wicked. Our time is too short to look into further evidences of it, but ~~it~~ I think we have seen here pretty strong evidences of the fact that these charts that Mr. Dunzweiler has drawn and placed up here give an accurate picture in these regards of what the Scripture teaches. There is the Rapture which I spoke on last Tuesday night: that the Lord will descend from heaven with a shout at such a time as we ~~know~~ know not. We don't know