

and that's the way with so many arguments about the Bible -- they take something there and then make a jump that isn't in the statement and then say, This is what the Bible teaches; then somebody finds evidence that isn't what the Bible teaches and it injures faith in the Word of God. Let's be careful and stick to what we find there.

It's amazing when we see exactly what is there, how many little things we find we never noticed before that really are there, and they may not teach us science, or teach us new facts about history, but they will open our eyes to possibilities and when those things are discovered we find the Bible wasn't out of date, but ahead of date in the suggestion of something already there. I've come across so many interesting illustrations of this fact, it just thrills me everytime I come across a new one. I think we'll have time before we open for questions, to mention two interesting illustrations:

One relates to history; the other to psychology. The one relating to history refers to the 5th ch. of Daniel. That's a ch. I'm sure every one of you is familiar with. I call your attention to a few special statements. The ch. begins: "Belshazzar the king made a great feast to 1000 of his lords . . . (then it goes on in v. 5) and tells us that while they were having this feast the fingers of a man's hands came out and wrote on the wall of the king's palace. The king became quite excited about this. So in v. 7, he called the astrologers, the Chaldeans, the soothsayers, and the king said, Whosoever shall read this writing and show me its interp., shall be clothed with scarlet . . . and shall be a third ruler in the kingdom." But the wise men could not tell what it say. So the king was quite disturbed about this. Then the Queen came in (v.10), personally I think it was the Queen mother (I can't prove it, we don't know, but the word Queen, I believe could be the Queen mother or it could be the queen), but then she tells him about an event he would not know before he became king. My guess is it's the queen mother. She said, King Nebuchadnezzar, your father having very active when he was king, and she said, this man whose name was Daniel, now living in retirement, was able to solve hard problems & if you'll have him brought I think he can give you the answer. So we read that he brought Daniel in and (v.16) Belshazzar said to Daniel, Now if thou canst read the writing and make known to me the interpretation of it, thou shalt be clothed with scarlet and have a chain of gold about thy neck and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom. Then Daniel answered. I think he already knew what it meant, and he realized Belshazzar could not do anything for him anyway in view of what was ahead, and he said, Let thy gifts be to thyself and thy rewards be to another. Yet I will read the writing to the King. He said, This writing says, that you're kingdom is to be destroyed; you're weighed in the balances and found wanting Your kingdom is to be divided and given to the Medes and Persians. Then you have one of the strangest vv. I think you'll find in all literatrue, v. 29. "Then commanded Belshazzar and they ~~sm~~ clothed Daniel with scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck and made a proclamation concerning him that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

Do you think is someone had said two weeks ago to Pres. Nassar in Egypt, your kgdm. is going to be destroyed and you are going to be overrun by these people you're trying to wreck and drive into the