

in its involvement in its various details today -- we're trying to see what is good and what is bad in it. We're trying to see how it can be improved. We look at history a little, but what difference does it make who ruled in England in a certain year, or who was President of the U.S. at a certain time, or who won a certain battle? Well it's true that if history simply amounts to the listing of battles, names of conquerers, names of rulers, it is a question how much value it is. But if you look at history in the sense of knowing what conditions used to be, and what changes ~~they~~ have occurred and how it has come about that we have our present situation, then you must ~~can~~ say, You cannot understand the present situation in society without knowing something about history. A great deal of the talk of the attitude is based or related to economics, as this verse does here, to whether a man has clothing, whether he has food, whether he has the material things of this life.

Well now we have today in the world more material things than we ever had before. The U.S. with about 6% of the population of the world, perhaps consumes about 60% of the production of the world, and perhaps produces about 60% of what is produced. Now I DON't know the figures, that may be somewhat exaggerated, but it is certainly not tremendously exaggerated. The U.S. and certain countries of Western Europe, are from a material viewpoint in a situation way superior to that of any of the other countries. And the way some people talk these are the selfish countries because they are the countries that are enjoying these things and that should divide up what they have with the countries that do not have these things, and if we would ~~just~~ just divide up what we have with them, then we would have a just situation in the world. Well, let's think back a little in history, and think of what our western countries were like not so very long ago.

I've been reading quite a little lately about the history of Eng. 600 yrs. ago, and about 600 yrs. ago in England you had a king who lived in considerable luxury. I think he had about 3000 servants in his palace. You had maybe a dozen dukes who had a fair amount of luxury, and you had maybe 50 other men of standing