is never going to beanything such as a physical restoration of a kingdom of Israel. If I have spent 3 yrs telling you this, plus 40 days after the resurrection and you still don't know it, what's the use? (Laughter). What he said was, It is not for you to know the times or seasons which the Father has put in His own power, but you shall receive power . . . and shall be witnesses unto me . . . "

Jesus did not say the disciples were mistaken in thinking that there would be a restoration of something that can properly be called restoring the kingdom to Israel, but He did say it is not for you to know the times or seasons. There are many matters in the future. which we cannot know and we should not divide over them.

I remember a number of years ago, probablyxkent before most of you were born, when the statement was made that the fact that Hitler had made an alliance with Russia was a fulfillment of Biblical prophecy, and I heard a good many people saying, Here is the proof that the Bible is true! The Bible predicts that in the last days the the old Roman Empire will be reestablished, and Germany is outside the borders of the old Roman Empire. So now we have Germany alligned with Russia against the countries within the Roman empire, and prophecy is being fulfilled before our eyes. You just study the Bible and you'll see God's truth which is so wonderfully being fulfilled. Well I heard a number of people give that evidence of the truth of the Word of God. But then about two months later Hitler turned on Russia and began to fight against Russia. And the people who had been led to put faith in the Word of God because something was gathered rather tenuously from it and said to be now being fulfilled, now revolted the other direction and said, Look here you're completely wrong; youthink that's what the Bible teaches; now you see the exact opposite is taking place. We should be very careful about being sure