

in to Mrs. Rebecca at the office for me by Friday noon, so that I will have a chance to look them over prior to our class, So I would appreciate it if you would get your assignments always by the next Friday noon. That is partly because of the nature of the assignments. The assignments I will give will not be assignments to test what you know or to find out how well you can do something. They will be assignments in order to prepare you for our discussion in class. It will be an assignment for you to look into the book of Daniel yourself and to make certain observations or reach certain conclusions.

There may be occasions when the assignment will involve examination of commentaries. There are quite a number of them on reserve in the library. But in most cases they will not. I prefer you not look at a commentary or even at the notes in any particular Bible as you begin an assignment. I want them to show what you yourself get from a particular section of the book assigned. Please at 12 men. of the hour if I have not given an assignment raise your hand otherwise I shall have to put in on the board. Even then I want it in for sure by the next Friday.

II Predictions in Daniel 2 (the first great assignment in the book of Daniel). I mentioned that the predictions in Daniel after the first six chapters are comparatively little known in Christian world. That is unfortunate because there are some very wonderful predictions there and marvellous evidences of the truth of God's Word. Very important but comparatively little known.

Dan. 2 is probably one of the 18 or 20 best known chs. in the OT. S.S. lessons nearly always in the course of teaching the OT include Dan. 2. In Dan. 2 the setting of the prophecy is not our present interest but there are one or two points I would like to have clear. Most of you are familiar with events in ch. 2. It starts just like ch. 1, in the third year in the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon (it starts with a date like ch. 1 ones.) Then ch. 2 starts And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreamsand his sleep brake from him.

It is very evident that that is a point at which a ch. division should be made. We know that the ch. divisions are not in the original. They were put in c. the 13th century A.D. According to the general idea they were put in by an English Archbishop in his Latin Bible. It is generally thought he put many of them in as he rode on horseback making his pastoral calls. Some people say when the horse stumbled he he may have mistaken the place where he put in a chapter division. I remember Cambel Morgan the famous English expositor say that in 9 cases out of 10 the ch. divisions are in the wrong place. I believe that is quite extreme. I would say it is the other way around. There are a great many places where if you are going to have a ch. division it is in the right place. There are many cases where there is just no division in thought at all.. I do not recommend a new revision of the ch. divisions, because they are very convenient in order to find the place. So even tho they are erroneous I would stick to them, just as the electricity, in it we still call positive what is really negative and we call negative what is really positive because when the