

is going to ~~shake~~ shake all ~~the~~ nations and He is going to give to this place a glory greater than it has ever had before. New possibilities immediately (?) In the light of history as we know it ~~there~~ three possibilities immediately occur. One might be that He is referring to Herod's temple which represented a great enlargement and beautification of the temple built by Zerubbabel and his associates. A second is that He looks forward to another physical temple that is to be built at ~~the~~ some time in the distant future, long after Herod's temple is ~~has been~~ destroyed. This may seem to some to be taking it absolutely literally, ^{note (?)} ;but we know that there is a very definite step beyond the literal, ⁱⁿ ~~and~~ that Herod's ~~the~~ temple disappeared completely except for a few stones which (nc) ~~now~~ now form the wailing wall, and if this refers to a temple at that spot it must refer to something that is yet to be built. This cannot be ruled out as a possibility ^{it} but/must be recognized that it is not taking it absolutely literally. The other possibility is to take the NT^o reference to the church as a great temple built for the glory of God, in which JC^o ~~is~~ is the ~~chief~~ chief cornerstone. But while we completely repudiate the attitude in which every reference in the OT^o to a kingdom or to a great thing things (nc) that God is going to bring about must be applied to the church of Christ, this simply (nc) does not work out. The references to complete universal peace, to a time when no one shall say to his neighbor, "Know the Lord," for all shall know the Lord, show very clearly that the temple kingdom predicted is not identical with the church that was established developed after the death of ~~Christ~~ Christ. Saying this, however, does not rule out the possibility that^t the reference in this case to the great glory of the coming temple might be a reference to what Christ would do, in part at least.