

for thee that thy faith fail not. He shifts from you to thee. Because in the Eng. of 300 years ago when you addressed one person it was "thou"; when you addressed a group it was "you." The KJV to people of that day it would be perfectly clear: He says Simon, Simon, Satan want's this whole group of disciples to sift them to ~~wa~~ see which of them are pure wheat and which of them will not stand the test. Satan wants to sift this group, but I'm praying particularly for one of this group, for you. That meaning is just as clear as could be in the KJV, to one who lived in those days. But I've passedit many many times and never thought of it. Never noticed it before. It was you and then ~~tex~~ thee in the next, which follows the Greek exactly in shifting from the plural to the singular.

If you recognized the verse is plural you get perfect sense, but to sift one person I always ~~u~~ wondered just what does it really mean? So we have the cha~~p~~leng~~e~~ of versions today. We have the challenge to present God's Word ~~to~~ so it will be understood. I think of that story of the woman who so loved to hear her minister because every time he said that blessed word Mesopotamia she thought it sounded so beautiful. What did it mean to her? God wants us to get the meaning of His Word across.

He has called us in a difficult day. It's very easy for us to take a little group of people and give them the truth. God has called us to go into the highways and byways and to get the word out. He has called us to ~~of~~ preach his message. He has called us to lead our people in reaching others for the Lord. How ready we are to get all excited about minor points of doctrine I am a strong premillennialist and am thoroughly convinced about Jesus premillennial coming. I preach and teach it. I feel it is our hope. It gives tremendous incentive to spur me on to win as many as I can to the Lord while He leaves me here. But I'm not going to spend my time arguing about premillennialism. God will do what He chooses. He will fulfill his promises. He has not called me to go out and make premillennialists. He has called me to go out and win people to the Lord.

He has called me to go to his own people who are born again, washed in the blood of Jesus and to show them how to grow in grace and be ready when our Lord comes. Our Lord says, Watch and be ready for ye know not the day nor the hour. He did not mean to keep running to the window to see if he's coming. He did not mean look for signs of the times and see if Russian moving into Afganistan means the Lord is coming back tomorrow! One thing I'm convinced of-- the Lord's coming is a day nearer now than it was at this time yesterday. It might be very soon and I pray God it may be soon. But he's not called me to be all excited about when he's coming. He's called me to be ready when he comes. To be watching, to be serving Him effectively and preaching His word. To so run that I man obtain the results He wants me to get.

God has given us this challenge to preach, to carry his message, to preach with understanding, to give people an understanding of what the Bible teachings and to stand forth-right and square for those great matters of salvation, for those greeat