

MacR: Yes, what's the reference for that?

stu: Psalm 80 verse 8.

Mac^A: Yes, the figure of the vineyard or the vine seems to be used quite a few times, in relation to Israel. So it seems quite ~~s~~ reasonable in that ~~day~~ ~~of~~ a vineyard of wine, thinking of. We're going to ~~h~~ave something now about the vineyard of wine, in the day when we'll be able to look back and see what God has done in relation to His people. And what has He done? He says I am his keeper, I will guard him every moment, lest it hurt him, I will keep it night and day. That's (9) quite clearly trusting, ~~isn't~~ it, and a constant blessing, continual interest in it, whether the vineyard be the people of God in general, including Jews and Gentiles, or whether it be Israel specifically, in this context, certainly the three is a continuous oversight and blessing on God's ~~part~~. Now what about verse 4? What is verse 4 talking about?

stu: Well, the usual general idea that, as far as this vineyard is concerned that God's wrath is not directed toward it. He will destroy the briars and stones, and so forth, that would choke the vineyard.

MacR: Yes, ~~th~~at seems to be, doesn't it, that it is a continuation of the blessing upon the vineyard, and of opposition to the enemies of the vineyard. Seems to be no question about that, I believe. Then, verse 5, what is verse 5 have to do with the vineyard? You've read this in Hebrew, everything except the first half of 24?

stu: Yes.

MacR: We read all of 25, all of 26 and all of 27, and 24, what verses?

stu: 9 and 10.

MacR: all right, now Mr. Budge, what--?

stu (10 3/4) I was (unclear)

but then you have the previous verse, the protection of God, and oversight against