

following and its feet were made of clay. He felt so badly about it and I felt like saying that I wished someone would say there is not any Santa Claus. It is so easy to take a human being and think that human being is perfect and you will find human beings who are very fine and they are worth having and they still fall if they are followed too carefully. The better you get to know them the more apt you will be to find some definite fault in them. God gives us the power to make great progress if we avoid ourselves of it and it would be good if on the one hand we would do all we can to make progress for ourselves and then on the other hand to help others along -- some big flops who disfigure other great leaders who may be greatly used of the Lord in many ways. It is interesting in v. 20 to have the mention of Driver there and we are still ~~saying~~ dealing with deliverance from Babylon. He is using this to bring to the minds of the people the vital problems and to call attention to those and He is using the question to bring to their attention the far more important problem that was under-lying everything. That is what you will have to do when you work for the Lord. You are going to have to give your emphasis on things that are vital but you are going to have to deal with things that interest them and problems which they are interested and combine the two and thus show how one leads to the other. Any Christian work that is done is one that finds common ground and which goes forward from this point of common ground. The Lord could have said, What difference does it make if you are in Babylon or not. After all the suffering you have there is nothing compared to eternal suffering. Your condition here is nothing compared to eternal suffering. The people would pay no attention if that was the way that he would deal with them. He gets the vital things across by dealing at the same time with the immediate problem and we have to do the same thing to get things across if we are going to be used effectively by the Lord. We have to keep our eyes on the things we are after to get ~~xxxx~~ across but at the same time we must see and keep in mind what the people are after.

220 --Read verses 8-12 of ch. 49 of Isa. It mentions Sinim--it is the first section that people would enter if they were going from Palestine to China by caravan. People knew about this land clear back in Isaiah's day. He is not speaking about the whole land of China but the first section that you would enter, as you came from the West, that section which would bring you in to a new country--clear from that country will some come that confess the Lord. The knowledge of the whole earth --that is