

to work in?

LM: Well, I am interested in learning how to interpret passages, especially in finding out how to use etymology and usage. ~~X~~

AAM: Yes, that's very good, how to use etymology and usage. Well, now, of course, that would be very interesting in taking any passage and working through it. It would be very interesting in that connection, or also it could come in if you were to take up a grammatical point, like there are two grammatical points that occur to me. This matter that Mr. A. mentioned, of the waw consecutive. The matter of interpretation of the Waw cons. with the perfect would be an interesting problem. These theories he speaks of pretty well make an effort to account for the development of the waw conv. with the imperfect, but they don't have much to say about with the perfect.

Mr. A: I talked to Dr. Harris about that, and he says that is the crucial point, because if the imperfect is an old past tense, archaism, held over, why then you have also the perfect ~~xxxx~~ tense with the waw, not only with the waw cons., but also with the waw conjunctive. That is old, because5..... compound forms together, but he says the critical thing is if you can prove that the waw, not the waw cons., but ~~the~~ plain conjunctive, the regular waw with the perfect, is an old usage, and that it ~~doesn't~~ doesn't change the meaning, and then you have side by side, according to their theory, two past tenses, both held over from ancient times. So the waw with the perfect is the critical point.....5 3/4....

AAM: BUT the waw conj. rather than the waw conv.

Mr. A. He says the waw conj.....6..... that would mean that if the imperfect is an old past tense, ~~why~~ why you have two past tenses side by side, and perhaps there is a difference in meaning. The waw conj with the perfect isn't a simple conjunctive, and maybe we could ~~study~~ study and see whether that.....6 $\frac{1}{4}$

AAM: Yes, well, now that wouldn't be so easy to ~~study~~ study, because the waw conv. would be very easy to study because you have grammars that give you discussion, and you could probably find most of the passages listed.