

~~You see~~ Now in this case, does this fit a captive people. "Thou wentest to the king with oil, and didst increase thy perfumes, and sent thine own ambassadors from afar." ~~Thou hast~~ ^{Does it} represent the captive people, or does it represent a nation trying to make peace? It impresses me as a nation better than as captives.

(Student: I'm not much interested, but I'm interested in the relation to the period today, so I think the passage here in 58, would seem from verses 5-7, is it such a fast that I have chosen, etc. Then Delitzsch says, not in abstinence from eating and such, but a sympathetic act of that (11), which gives up bread or any other possession ~~(11) but~~ in place of dealing good to the needy. I don't see what they have from the exception of the slavery. It would not be entirely a myth.) Yes, the formula that he is attacking. There is no advantage in formalism we would say without the gift, but . may be useful in that .(11 $\frac{1}{2}$) I fast twice in a week. Well, what of it? What good does it do you? However, here is a man who wants to know the Lord's will. And the man says, well, here, I'm going to take time to look aside from all human consideration. I'm going to put all pleasures aside ~~in~~ for a brief time in order to give myself to prayer and seeking God's will. It can be of very real value, if it is done as a means of coming close to the Lord. He would not need to go out fasting. But he will go ~~out~~ as a means per se when he (12 $\frac{1}{2}$) We of course have turned aside completely from fasting, in the modern days. They say that when the apostles sent out missionaries they held a fast, and (12 $\frac{1}{2}$) they gave a big feast. On Thanksgiving day we turn the day to gorging ourselves. That is, it is a thing that we must guard against.

(Student: (13) I believe refers to prayer and various exercises, there are very many of discipline .) It in itself can be a burden but it is the door way through which we can come into, and it seems that we can set aside a stated time in a definite way of doing things.) As it goes back to what is called the sabbath day. A day which recur~~s~~ to remind us of our duty to God.

(Student: We could do well by putting time on verses 7 and 8, "Upon a high and lofty mountain hast thou set up thy bed, etc. Perhaps the address is to the national community, the congregation as regarded as a woman, and lovers of the gods of the heathen. Well, that's a reasonable interpretation because Israel is often accused of spiritual adultery. I'm not clear as to the figures of the Old Testament days.) Well, I suggest in 9 that we look ----- End