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often you have both of them in one verse as you have in this verse. The first half is comfort simply and if you had nothing but that it wouldn't be comfort, but the last half is specific deliverance. It is, God is interested in them and God is going to do things for them, so the point from James is very good, and we believe James and we also believe Paul and there is no contradiction between the two even though they sound very different often, they seem to contradict themselves. Now, v. 11, what is v. 11, Mr.---? (Student) Comfort in 11. Of course, it is. The whole book is comfort, but what specifically is 11? (Student) Yes, it is deliverance. It is comfort in view of the fact that Israel's enemies are going to disappear. They are going to be overwhelmed. There is comfort in an actual, material way of doing something. It is deliverance. Yes? (Student) That's right. But the way I wanted you to do was to go through for today the chapters through 52 and put everything under our main heads that we can and if it doesn't fit under one of these or if there is another important thought, put a line at the right and then you go back again and now if you have found a good many things that you think would well be under the heading "Judgment against other nations", then you would make another head for that and put it down. Then, v. 12 What is v. 12 talking about, Mr.---? Yes. V. 12 is the same thing as 11, isn't it? It's a slight extension. (Student) Yes. You could take 11 and 12, you could take knowledge of the subtopics. I would prefer not to in these verses because the thought of knowledge is, as I think of it, knowledge as a proof that God is and they could trust Him for deliverance, and this, of course, is a prediction, you might say, of a final deliverance, rather than some step along the way, so while I wouldn't consider it wrong to count knowledge as a sub-thought, I don't think that it enters particularly in a prediction that goes as far ahead as this and is quite as general as this. If the prediction were a little more specific and a little less complete I think it would be very definitely a part of it. The next verse--yet? (Student) V. 12, well 11 said, "All that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded. That would certainly include Babylon, wouldn't it? It might be very specifically Babylon. All that would. Yes. I