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we are with Christ. It is interesting to satisfy curiosity, but whether it is of real practical value to us I question, and I have known people on both sides of this dispute who have become extremely heated over it and I have thought that if that heat could be preserved and transformed into another form of energy and used for the spreading of the gospel instead that it would be far more honoring to the Lord. Now, the Lord reveals things to us for practical purposes. They affect our attitude, and so I think it is very vital that we look in all these doctrines and see just how it does affect our attitude. Then, of course, we want to be mighty sure we are right. If it is something which is clearly revealed in the Scripture we want to stand on it whether we can see any practical bearing to it or not. If it is a question on which good Christians differ and upon which we do not see how it particularly affects our attitude, our practical Christian life, then I think that we should say, "Let's put it on the shelf, study it, look at it, discuss it with friends and see what conclusion we eventually reach about it, but let us not get the Christian world divided up into groups over matters which are only related to satisfying curiosity--at least, unless they are absolutely clearly taught in the Scripture." We noticed two weeks ago that there is little, there is no obvious case in the Scripture that all the events connected with the return of Christ must occur in one instant or in one minute or in one day or in one year or in one decade, or even in one century. We cannot tell about that. If the Scripture says they do, then we must stand on it. If the Scripture says they don't occur in one second, then we must ask the question, "How much time does the Scripture say is taken with these various phases?" I don't think anybody in Old Testament times could have told whether the coming of Christ, the day of the Lord was going to be one day in which He would die on the cross for the sins of the world, then immediately set up His kingdom and reign in righteousness, or whether it would be two days in a row, in one of which He would die on the cross and in the next He would return from heaven on the clouds of the air and set up His kingdom and reign in righteousness, or whether it would last a week, but I doubt if any interpreter