

The little child had no fear but was enjoying himself hugely. However, he had much reason to fear! There was tremendous danger there, and there is tremendous danger all about us in this age. But God says that there is going to be a time when we can sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree and there will be nothing to make us afraid, because all the things around us that can cause us danger will be removed, and Jesus Christ will be reigning in His marvelous Millennial Kingdom. It will be a time of complete external safety.

7. An Interpolated Exhortation — 4.5

Micah gives still another characteristic of the Millennial Kingdom, but first he pauses for a little aside. This fifth verse is rather perplexing. It reads: "For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever."

How can it be said that "all people will walk every one in the name of his god"? We know that the heathen gods do not actually exist, and that they will all prove to be nothing. It is certain that no one will walk in the name of any of them after our Lord Jesus Christ comes back. What can the verse mean?

Careful examination of the Hebrew results in an entirely satisfactory solution to the problem. The first verb, which is here translated as a future, "will walk", could just as well be translated simply as a frequentative, "walk". It shows habitual action.

Micah calls attention to the great tenacity with which many adherents of false religions cling to their beliefs and to the loyalty that they show to the false teachings of their various cults. Some years ago it was my experience to travel in a Mohammedan country. I was much interested as I sat in a train at the beginning of the evening, to see so many Arabs standing up on their seats and bowing toward Mecca. When the time came to perform their religious observances, they did so without the slightest bit of embarrassment or self-consciousness. How different it is in this country. We seldom see a man with