

did not try to satisfy our curiosity by telling us all about what's going to happen in the future. Not at all. But he gave us certain indications as an evidence that we can trust His word. Now he said, In such an hour as ye think not the Son of Man cometh. If anyone says, I've read the Bible; I've figured it out, I know tomorrow afternoon at 10 o'clock the Son of Man comes, Jesus says, You are wrong, for in such an hour as you think not the Son of Man cometh. If we all unanimously agree He is coming this year, that's pretty good proof it will not be this year. We don't know when He's coming. But we know he is coming. It may be tomorrow, it may be 100 yrs. from now. He wants us to be ready and feeding His people and giving out the word. He ~~xxxx~~ wants us to be using these evidences to show people that they can trust God's Word.

Do you have believe every word in the Bible is true in ~~xxx~~ order to be saved? No, there's very little you have to believe in order to be saved. But there's a great deal you have to believe in order to be an effective servant of the Lord. A person who intentionally and arbitrarily denies God's Word, I question very much whether he was ever saved. But ~~if~~ an ignorant person can simply be saved by putting his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and know very little. I can't tell who is saved and who is lost. Only the Lord knows whether you're sincere, whether you're a hypocrite, whether you've said words without knowing what they mean. But if you're going to be an effective servant of the Lord, you need not only to be saved, you need a solid grip on the great teachings of the Word of God. You need to know that everything we know that is important about eternal things, we know for just one reason, because God has said it in His Word. And all our guesses prove little or nothing. On these things we have no access to the data and when you get access to the data then you can study the data, but you can't reach the data here. You need the Word of One who knows. God knows, and He has given us that Word. That's why I think it is foolish to go out and argue with the unbeliever about whether God's Word is true. Convince him of his need of a Saviour and of his lost condition, of his sinful estate. Show him that that all that existentialism has to offer him is holelessness and despair and that only in Christ can he find the answer to his need. But when a person believes in Christ, he should make his life count and there's only one way to do that == by taking the Word of God as a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Let us Pray: Lord, we thank you for these evidences you have given us that your word is true and we can trust in it. Help us not only to know it is true but to act on it. Help us to follow your lead and make our lives count for our Saviour.

Question Time Following Message

Question: Isn't Islam responsible for the destruction for much of the
 ? in the Mediterranean world . . . in Egypt and ~~else~~
 elsewhere?

Answer: I'm not sure how much they intentionally did. It is true that the Mohammedans take the 2nd commandment in a more literal way than we Christians do. Where it says, Thou shalt not make any image of anything in the heavens above, or the earth beneath . . . We understand that to mean we shall not make anything for the purpose of worshipping it, but they take it, You must not make it for any purpose. Except in Persia where they don't seem to take it that way, they don't make images or pictures. The dome of the rock in Jerusalem is all just geometric figures. Very beautiful, but no pictures. But I haven't heard of much