

"Let's destroy our armaments. Let's do away with all this. We know after all the communists are nice people. They are scared of us, and if we just destroy all our armaments they won't bother us." But let me tell you personally, I don't think that's right.

Well now this is what was taught in Micah 4, and in Isa. 2 we find almost the same thing told in almost the ^{same} ~~the~~ words, but Isa. doesn't want you to think that this is just Micah's idea. So Isa. introduces it with the words, "the vision which Isa. the son of Amos saw." He says, Micah tells you this. Well God gave it to me too. I didn't just take it from him. Well we won't take time to look at Isa. now but we will look at another passage in Isa. -- Isa. 11. There in Isa. 11 we have a longer passage which describes the coming of the son of David. "A rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots;" and you have a description of his wonderful character in vs. 2 and 3. Then we read what he is going to do. "In righteousness shall he judge the poor and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth. And he shall ^{smite} ~~slay~~ the earth with the rod of his mouth and with the breath of his lips shall he ~~slay~~ slay the wicked." Now do you think that when it says, "with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked" it means He will simply convert all the wicked? Well that's a good postmillennial interpretation -- He will convert all the wicked. What this says He will slay the wicked with the breath of his lips. Then it goes on and shows us what happens afterwards. "Righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb. The leopard also shall lie down with the kid. The calf and the young lion and the fatling together. And a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed. Their young ones shall lie down together. The lion shall eat straw like the ox and the suckling child shall play on the hold of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea." Is this a picture of heaven? Animals aren't going to hurt one another in heaven? In heaven the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea? Is this a picture of the intermediate state? Is this a picture of the peace that God gives in the heart