

Daniel -- 16 (session 3)

We have them more  
had the beginning of them 100 years ago. They are more intensive today. They may go on  
getting more intensive 500 years or they can stop + come back We have one  
new sign which is the return of the Jews to Jerusalem. This may be the final return of  
the Jews to Jerusalem or there may be another period. Israel might even be destroyed  
and there might be another return. We don't know. There is every reason to think that  
Christ might come very soon. But Jesus has said we are not to know. He may come soon.  
We might to be ready whenever he comes. He may come very soon. He might not come for  
1000 years. I'm sure that when *St. Augustine* saw the Roman civilization  
disappearing all around him; when he was in Hippo, one of the three cities that were  
left in N. Africa which was one of the greatest centers of civilization, and when he  
was in this city *with the walls (?)* one of the three cities that was left and he could  
hear the cries of the people as they were yelling, as the Vandals were killing and  
destroying and wrecking everything outside and took over N. Africa and Augustine lay  
on his death bed I'm sure if you had told him then there is going to be another 2000  
yrs. before Christ comes back he would have said You're absolutely crazy. It is  
impossible. He has to come very soon. We have every sign It must be  
very soon. Instead of that we've had 1600 years *since* because God does not  
want us to know when He is coming. He wants us to be ready whenever he comes. And he might  
come very soon. He wants us to be ready. And he has given us many glimpses of the future  
and told us some very interesting things and it is very important that we don't say we  
know what we don't know; that we recognize where the gaps are (????) but what is  
clear we stand upon and we have a great deal And the fact  
that all these people (??) come to pass  
should increase our faith. We can believe whatever the Word of God says and let us stand  
on what the Word of God says but where we don't know let us say that we don't know. And let's  
recognize the existence of these gaps and the fact that God *has kept* the times in His own  
power. And one thing that disturbs me is that so many *men,* fine Christians talk about the 69  
weeks as if it was one period when he so definitely says seven *with* *with* sixty-two *with* and one week.  
And it's an utter perversion of the language of Scripture to say there is a 69 week period.  
There is a 70 wk. period and if there is a gap between the 69th and 70th there is every