

people called upon to turn to God , and Oh, in our day , facing the terrible dangers that our nation faces. Instead of cutting the Bible out from our schools, cutting ~~out~~ prayer out from our schools , instead of that we were turning to the Lord, turning greater interest in the Bible, turning greater interest in prayer, how different this situation might mean they are apt to be under present situations. Well, here we have the people turning to God and in verse 18 on we have the answer. I ~~can't~~ cannot help thinking that the translators of the Authorized Version must have been confused by this ~~pr~~ phrase The day of the Lord back in verse 15 and decided from it that this must be, all of it, a future picture of the end of the age and that that affected their translation of verse 18 and 19, because anybody who has had even a little bit of Hebrew , this is not a complex matter in Hebrew, it is the simplest thing in the Heb. language. There are only two tenses and the general use of those tenses is very clear , and anybody who has had even a little bit of Hebrew will know, if he looks at verse 18 and 19 of chapter two that the translation of them in the American Standard Version is the correct one and the ~~tenses-~~ tenses are rendered incorrectly here in the King James Version. Now this particular type of text occurs thousands of times in the Bible and I only know of two phrases in the whole Bible where the King James Version has ~~rendeer~~ rendered this particular as a future instead of a past. If you read it the way it ~~sa~~ stands verses 18 and 19 will say, Then was the Lord jealous for His land, and He pitied~~x~~ His people , and the Lord answered and said unto His people . You see what a difference that makes . That makes it very clear that if ~~kyx~~ you take the Hebrew as it stands, ~~ehpa~~ chapter one and chapter two up through verse 17 is describing the situation and telling how the ~~peopl-~~ people are turning to God in the situation, and that we have God's answer to the situation, ~~gin~~ given in what follows. The Lord said to His people , "Behold, I will send you corn , and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen: But I will remove far off from