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has a change of one verse, so that instead of having the word "was born", the change of one letter in that word makes it "was begotten." Thus they translate it "Joseph was the father." I believe there was enough criticism of that immediately so that in recent copies of the RSV you do not find it. But it just illustrates the fact that those who are moved of Satan to destroy ~~our~~ Christian faith are not rational when they deal with matters of Christ. They may be great intelligent men in other ways. But they are not rational in such matters.

Now that doesn't mean we should take a problem of NT quotation and simply brush it aside and say this is a statement of some unbeliever. We should look, as I looked at the original Hebrew in these particular cases I mentioned to you and see what the evidence is. It is amazing how frequently if you look at the evidence closely the difficulties will disappear.

Can we have a word of prayer? Our Father we thank you for the Scripture you have given us. That we can depend upon it. That it is your revelation to us of the truth for each of us. But O our Father, we thank you for the great clear teachings of salvation, but there is so much more in your word that you desire us to have for our lives and for our activity. Help us when we find a problem to check the facts and to know that your word is dependable and true. Help us, our Father, to find from your Word the leading that we need for every aspect of our lives. We ask in Jesus Name. Amen.