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do you think that we could say, and it will be, if I were to tell you what is going to happen, it will be like when a husbandman gathers corn and reaps the ears with his arm. He just comes in here and goes right through and takes everything, and it will be like someone who gathers ears in the valley of Rephaim. He just goes down there and he gathers it up and he takes it out. It's pretty drastic. He doesn't go in and seize a little bit, like a couple of bites of corn here and there as a hungry man might do in a field. He might go into a grove of orange trees and pick down an orange and eat it, but it's quite different if all the oranges are gone. If a big wind comes or a freeze or something and all the oranges are gone. You say, it is just like when somebody has harvested. It's just gone. But you see, it won't be quite that complete. A few gleanings will be left in it, just like the shaking of an olive tree, two or three berries way up on the top where they couldn't reach, four or five way out on the extremity of the branches where they didn't get to. He didn't happen to reach into my inner vest pocket and he missed those two pennies. You see what I mean? Could this be simply a figurative expression for great loss and therefore describe simply the thing that would come at the end of any war in which one side lost out? Could it be that? And in that sense every war is a judgment because the side that loses--believing that God controls all things we believe that God works a certain judgment in every war that takes place, but that would be the outstanding idea, wouldn't it, if you interpret it the way I suggested? Now is that a reasonable way to interpret it or is there another way to discuss? Mr. Shedd? (Student) Yes. V. 9 says "his strong cities will be like a forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch which they left because of the children of Israel; and there shall be desolation." That seems to suggest that the strong cities are simply left forsaken; that it is just as if somebody came in here and took all the money everybody had only instead of its being that this is a picture of a nation which has