

making more of it known to us in the progress of revelation. But there are the two concepts which I'd like to distinguish rather definitely. We surely don't mean to say God gave us to understand that all the dead are together and then later He taught that the dead are separate. God might refer to the dead without saying whether they were together or separate and then reveal ~~XXXX~~ to us the factors. He might do that.

Student... Yes, yes. Well you wouldn't mean that there was one place first, but you mean we simply spoke... yes, like someone in Europe talks of going to A<sup>M</sup>erica. He talks about the people in America and all that and you hear him talking and you find out some of these Americans talk Spanish and some talk Portuguese and some talk English. What do they talk in America anyway? You mention all three languages. Well, all three are talked in America. Then after a while you find that American has two main divisions, North Americans and South Americans. And they're quite distinct. You learn a lot about them. Well, it's much better in such a case to introduce the words North and South American rather than to call one of them American and give a new title to the other. And it might be in the development of human language that the word sheol which originally meant all, would come to mean just the abode of the wicked, it might be. But I'd want ~~to~~ pretty good proof that it had, that is I would not feel at all sure that that would be the natural progress of God's revelation as a pre... It might be a progress in the use of words that God would make use of. But I would rather be inclined to think that the progress of revelation would be more apt to take the word and to say now this has two parts to it. North and South America, and they're distinct.

Student.... Well, we're convinced of the essence of what it is. I mean we know a little about it. ~~XXX~~ Do we know much more than they do? That ~~mayx~~ would be a question.

Student.... Abraham could know that after death he would be with God. He could know that it would be a happy state after death.