

New class period.....

.....Mr. Paashaus spoke of this man as being premil and dispensational, did you say, or, "or" dispensational. Which was it? AAM: Yes, I would like to ~~take~~ take a minute or two looking at those two words, because we are going to speak a good bit about the matter of premillennialism in the near future in this course. And I want to get some definitions in mind. Once when I was in another seminary teaching Hebrew, anyway I called on, there were two fellows who sat next to each other on the front row always, and they were great jokers, these two chaps, they were always kidding one another, and I called on one of them for a form of a certain verb, and the verb happened to be a piel, and he said Hiphil, and the other fellow turned him and said, Oh, that's the premil interpretation. (laughter). Well, I give that as an illustration, of course, it was purely intended humorously there, but as an illustration, a rather grotesque one, of the fact that it is possible to take terms and ~~to~~ to extend them to cover things that are not involved in them whatever. It is a very easy thing to do, and it is a very good thing to avoid. Shortly after our Bible Presbyterian denomination was formed, I visited a man, a very strong amil, but a man who had been closely associated with us before, he was then a teacher of philosophy at a Christian college, and he was a very very fine man in many ways, but he did not ~~appear~~ approve of what we had done. He didn't like our name. Bible Presbyterian Synod we called it then. Well, I knew he was a man who was quite a lover of old ecclesiastical terminology, and so when he said, he didn't like our name, he didn't like it at all. Well, I said, What don't you like? Don't you like the word Synod? Oh, yes, Synod is a wonderful word. Well, I said, Don't you like the word Presbyterian? Oh, yes, he was a strong Presbyterian, oh, he liked Presbyterian. Well, I said, What don't you like about it? Oh, he said, That word Bible, he said, That suggests loud singing to me. (laughter). Well, it just struck me, that it is so easy to connect something up. Somebody told me they didn't like the word fundamentalism, they said they didn't like it because it suggested holding up rattlesnakes in front of a church, and let them bite you, or something like that. Well, I am sure there are people