

we looked at before, the premil, the postmil, and the amil/~~view~~ view. Well, suppose you take the postmil view. Here is a stone which comes, let us say, and it strikes the kingdom. It is Jesus Christ being born, the stone without hands, and it strikes the image, and it completely destroys the image as it grows and becomes a mountain/~~and~~ and fills the whole world. Well, the picture doesn't sound like just a gradual growth through the whole world. It doesn't sound like that. Does it say the stone struck the image, and now it has begun to grow and it is filling the whole world, and now we will say a good part of the world is filled by it, and go on/~~and~~, and now the whole world will become Christian and the stone will fill the whole world. Well, the stone, it doesn't say how fast it grows. It might conceivable do that. The growth perhaps isn't a strong objection to the postmil view, but what it says ~~is~~ is that it strikes the image and the image falls down and is all broken up to pieces, and the wind carries it away, and it is pretty hard to say that that is a normal way of picture the fact that when Christ was born in Bethlehem there was a start begun and a process which would destroy all the ungodly kingdoms of this world. And 2000 years from ~~Christ's~~ Christ's death we are still ~~mighty~~ might far from/~~having~~ having a Christian world, that the fall of the image that it strikes it in the feet in the year 30 A.D., ~~say~~ say, and then the image begins to topple, and to fall over about a fifth of the way by now, 2000 years~~later~~, later, and eventually it is going to get over all the way, and still, despite this slow motion fall, it is going to hit hard enough that it will all be broken up, the ~~gold~~ gold and silver, and the copper, and ~~everything~~ everything mingled up until the wind blows it away so there is no place found. It doesn't fit the ~~picture~~ picture at all. Certainly the destruction of the image described here is a sudden terrific ~~catastrophe~~ catastrophe, and utterly different from any postmillennial picture. I don't see how you can fit this with postmillennialism. Now, that doesn't prove ~~if~~ postmil'sm is wrong, but it does say that this can't be fit in as a picture of postmil'sm. Now, try it another way. Say that this is not a picture of ~~the~~ the first coming of Christ, or, say if you want that Christ is the stone from the mountain cut without hands, but that ~~that~~ the ^{coming} ~~coming~~ of the stone from the mountain without hands maybe