But you are sincerely dead. So you've got to watch how you take portions out of context. Fellow there he's down in the dumps. He says I'm going to see what, I don't know much about the old testament, I'll look up in the new testament. So he looks up and it said and Judas went in hanged himself. He said that's not good for me I'm down in the dumps already. And so he looked, he flipped around some more and he found the verse that says go thou and do likewise. Oh he says if ever there was a message, that wasn't mine. He said the third time's a charm for sure. And if he didn't hear the third one. And that said that thou dost, do quickly. And I think that cured him from looking up verses like that. You know there's some folk if you ever hand them a poker, they always lay hold of it on the wrong end. The wrong end is always the hottest. Why am I saying this? Because chapter 17 is not in the gospel of john by itself. Actually, it's a part of 13, 14, 15, 16, 17. Well that's practically one fourth of that gospel. Practically one fourth of that gospel. It's longer, if you will, than the Sermon on the Mount. It’s longer than the Olivet discourse. Matthew 24 and 25. Throughout this portion, Christ is looking, watch this now. He’s looking at Calvary as already accomplished. Let me show you. 17:4 I glorify thee on the earth, I've finished the work which thou gravest me to do. Well he couldn't say that before he went to Calvary. But he is seeing himself as having accomplished his work on Calvary. Oh he was aware of when he did it. In john 19:30, he says in one word, the greatest word ever uttered in human lips that tell us it is finished. And yet he said I have finished the work. He’s over there. And in these chapters, you have marvelous things. You have the basis of post Calvary conditions. For instance, the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. Do you know why Luke and acts don't follow each other in the canon of
scripture? Written by the same man under the spirit of god. Dr. Luke. Why do you have john between? Because just as the neck connects the head and the body, so does john. John’s gospel gives more doctrine on the holy spirit that any other of the three gospels. And I have news for you, it will even give you more doctrine. I said doctrine not incidents. It will give you more doctrine than the book of acts. You know, you go for incidents in acts, not doctrine. That you get in john's gospel and in the epistles. You say I don't know what you’re talking about. That’s why I said read your bible. The doctrine of the Holy Spirit. Prayer. Don’t tell me that our lord Jesus gives the same formula for prayer here that we had in the Old Testament. Or even when he gave them that one on the Sermon on the Mount when he said our father which art in heaven. He says hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name. And the indwelling Christ. Do you know that Ephesians and Colossians are comprehended in one verse in John 15. I in you and you in me. That’s the summarization, condensation, of those two marvelous epistles. And so we can go on. Do you know the first passage on the return of Christ in the rapture is not found in the epistles at all. It’s found in john 14. He says I go away, and if I go away I will come again and receive you unto myself that where I am there you may be also. You have it. We’re dealing with that tomorrow on the church wedding. The illuminating ministry of the holy spirit in the life of the believer. Beautifully indicated in john. And what the Holy Spirit does with reference to the world. Convicts the world of sin because they believe not on me. Righteousness because I go to the father, and you see me no more. Judgement because the prince of this world has been judged. Now I want to say a few things before I go on to bring you up to date. You have to start in the bible. That’s where they went astray. It’s vital beyond all ordinary importance to see that Christ does not have in view in this prayer the general masses of humanity. And the minute you say that and understand it and can go through the chapter and see that, you've got the whole battle won.
Believe me. I spent a lifetime trying to make things simple for students. And 99 times out of 100 they want the hard way. I showed them the hard way and the easy way and do you know which one they take, your right. The hard way. If you will see here that our lord is not praying for the general masses, you have it. Listen to verse 2. To all whom thou hast given them. Verse 3. They should know thee. These are not unbelievers. Verse 6, the man out of the world. Thou gavest them to me. Same verse 6. They kept thy word. That’s not the world. Verse 7, now they know that I’ve come from thee. 8. I’ve given unto them, they received them and knew and believed. Look at verse 9. If you needed anything to seal the matter shut, I pray for them. I pray not for the world, but for those whom thou hast given me out of the world. You mean Christ at the right hand of the father isn't praying for the world? No. does he love them? Yes. Has he always loved them? Yes. But he's not praying for them. You know why? He says he’s praying for us. Well then when are they ever going to get prayed for? Did you ever read 1 timothy 2? He says, I am directing you. I charge you to pray for all men. That’s pretty comprehensive isn't it? Especially for those who are in authority. That we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness. Because he says he'd like for them to be saved also. Verse 10. I am glorified in them. Verse 11, keep them in my name. I’m still in john 17. Verse 2 I kept them. He even takes time out to differentiate between the 11 apostles as believers and Judas who never was a child of god. He says I have not lost one of them except that son of perdition. He never did believe. He never did call Christ lord. Now whenever you find master, he did not call him that. He called him rabbi or teacher. You can go through all 26 verses of this wonderful chapter. Now when our lord Jesus Christ goes to such lengths, and what a master he was of language. when he went to such lengths to make plain those of whom he was speaking, and no there wasn't, remember there was no inherent obligation on his part to allow them to overhear his prayer ministry. When you pray in
the morning do you call in all you neighbors so they can hear you? But he purposely did this. He says these things have I spoken in the world that my joy may be in them, and that their joy may be full. He’s directing this prayer to the father on their behalf. But he wanted them to overflow with unnatural supernatural joy. I say when that's true, it is nothing less than interpretive exegetical crime. To disregard the numerous sign post our lord set up throughout this passage. Indicating of whom concerning whom he was speaking. The passage, believe me, will not permit for a split second the universalistic handling to which it has been sadly subjected. Whatever else this passage speaks of, it’s not talking about the ecumenical movement. If it is, I’ll go to digging ditches. But I’ve certainly missed what interpretation of the bible is. There are vast area of this bible, believe me, the treat of the unsaved. And thank god they're are. There are parts that talk about the unsaved. But believe me again this is not one of them. Not one of them. And notice secondly the lord makes it clear from whom this unity originates. Verse 11 does not call on any man to inaugurate a unity. And now I’m no more in the world but these are in the world and I come to thee holy father keep through thine own name. Who is going to do it? Holy Father. I know somebody they call Holy Father in Rome but this is not the one. This is the one in heaven. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me that they may be one as we are. Its Christ’s prayer to the father to keep, sustain, maintain a unity already in existence. Ephesians 4 says the same. That we should be careful to maintain the unity of the body. We do not inaugurate it. We do not initiate it. It’s a unity already in existence. Now that unity has been brought about, and this very chapter tells you. By the testimony. you go through that chapter, it will amaze you how many times the lord has something to say about the word I gave them, the word I gave them, the word I gave them. It’s through the word. Christ had a testimony and he bore it with reference to man's sin. His provision of redemption, and the soul and only and
absolute and exclusive necessity of faith for regeneration. You have to try harder to miss it. Finally, the unity for which he prayed was of unique quality. In every instance the point of comparison is as we are one. Can you tell me who on earth or in heaven ever ever made the unity between the persons of the godhead? Its only god that unity is a product of divine activity. It’s vital, it’s organic. This unity that's talked about here. It doesn't disregard belief. It’s based squarely on it. Later reinforced by the baptism of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, where believers are sovereignly placed into the body of Christ. 1 Corinthians 12:13. For a unity to exist between members such as a unity of essence of nature. Of partaking of divine nature. Why that must be done by god. 2 Peter 1:4; he has given us all things needful for life and godliness. First of all, and that’s where they forget it, the ecumenists. Bishop of the Methodist church Kennedy called them not ecumenists, he called them ecumaniacs. But, 2 Timothy 1:4 tells us that god hath given unto us all things needful for life and godliness. The order is first the family relationship. Then, the bond of unity. And you know the saddest thing of it all is that in the 20th century, especially since 1948, men have been trying to make this unity. And you know where it was made? The trouble with god answering that prayer is he has no need to. It’s already been answered. Who did the praying in John 17? Christ. You mean that god the father has been waiting all through these centuries to answer his prayer? You know where it was answered? At Pentecost when we all were one. That’s why something happens in the church we don't get on the telephone or we get the wireless and we begin to noise it abroad. No. Paul says does any one of you stumble and do not I burn with shame? If a 500 pound weight would fall on your right foot, would the rest of your body throw a banquet? You say it hurt me all over. Of course it does. So here we have it. Now, what is the actual background of this thing? How do they ever start from that beginning and go on? Well, I told you they started with John 17 and Ephesians 4. Totally totally
misunderstanding what happened in acts 2 and the doctrinal presentation of it in 1 Corinthians 12:13. But many of them felt the prayer hadn't been answered. So since the protestant reformation in the 16th century and the modern growth of the many denominations of Christendom, they felt that is a black black mark on the history of the church. So pressure was building up and when you get ahead of steam it’s going to go somewhere. Pressure has been building up for some years to present a solid united front to the unbelieving world. Where was the ecumenical movement born? It was born at the conference. Hear the name of it. Conference on faith and order and missionary cooperation which met in Edinburgh Scotland in 1910. For a number of years, partly because of the two world wars, matters seemed to be at a standstill. Then the world council of churches came into existence in Amsterdam incidentally in 1948. Now listen to what its formula was supposed to be acceptable to almost any shade of theology. And I’m just reading recently where the Universalists and the Unitarians are angry. Creating a work on the battle for the bible where they are angry and saying why do you let in these other groups and don't allow us in? Well, there is some reason. Listen to what the formula was. I’m quoting the world council of churches is a fellowship of churches who accept Jesus Christ as god and savior. Now evangelicals, orthodox folk were dissatisfied tried to get a more definite statement showing a basis at least in Holy Scripture. You have to have some guidelines. You can’t just have a railroad by getting up some steam and a boiler. You have to have some tracks upon which it’s going to run. Well, in Evanston, it was the northwestern university when they met; an attempt was made by the church of Norway. More orthodox than some of these others. They tried to bring in at the world council church assembly this resolution. The world council of churches is a fellowship of churches who according to Holy Scriptures confess Jesus as god and savior. That’s quite another package. When you say according to Holy Scriptures. Well that
proposal didn't even get to first base. It was sidetracked, and it was referred to the central committee. You might as well have had referred it to the committee of the hole, that's where it went. Right down the hole. In August 1960, the world council of churches in St. Andrews in Scotland submitted this for ratification at the New Delhi India meeting in 62. The world council of churches is a fellowship of churches which confessed the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Savior according to the scriptures, and therefore seek to fulfill their common calling to the glory of the one God, Father Son and Holy Spirit. And it was at that St. Andrews meeting that they seriously discussed eventually uniting with Rome. You'd think they were getting closer to the right thing when they came and brought that in. And what gave them a little inkling? Because they saw that Pope John XXIII who was supposed to be just in a holding operation had decided to do something unheard of before. He began to call a Vatican council. The second one, only the second one in all the history of the church. That is the Catholic Church. And what did they see as a hope, a straw in the wind. The pope started. He founded. He ordered a new secretary. What was that office to do? It was to unite Christians to have a double function, to enable non-christians to follow the work of the council and to help churches not in communion with Rome to arrive at unity with the Roman Catholic Church. Interestingly enough, the man who was the closest to that was Cardinal August Bea, a German cardinal. And he had been a very very close friend of the gentleman under whom I studied Hopkins Dr. William Foxwell Albright. Very very close friends. I believe that's what gave him the idea to petition Pope John XXIII concerning some kind of a movement a [inaudible] as they call it in French. The one to the other. For that reason, Roman Catholic observers were present at St. Andrews. And there was a representation in New Delhi. And there has been ever since and even at New Delhi the Russian Orthodox Church was admitted as a member. And so it's been back and forth. Now there's no question that were
seeing unheard of events that have not transpired since the 16th century when Martin Luther was alive. Listen to one a presidential address given at a convention of the society of catholic college teachers of sacred doctrine. Wed says its bible and doctrine or in a seminary we call it theology. This is father Bernard Cook in religious education. He says with a second Vatican council we're witnessing one of the key events of our 20th century. That’s an understatement if there ever was one. He says we aim to work seriously toward the reunion of Christians bringing the expression of the church's life more closely into contact with out contemporary world. He says now in the medieval councils that worked for reunion, it’s not just enough to have it on the top level; you've got to get it down to the grassroots. There must be preparation for it. An acceptance of it at all levels. And listen to this. If he'd have said this 50 years before believe me, he would not only been thrown out, excommunicated from the roman church. He would have been stoned. I'm quoting it. We must teach them. People in the roman church but the church is truly catholic. Small c. that's spelling it the right way. Catholic. What it really means. Universal. We must rid them, their own people, of the tendency they have to think of the church of Christ in Latin forms only. The roman church is from Latin origin. Of course to think of Christianity as an occidental reality as though it grew up in the west. We must be careful that we don't view our liturgies other liturgies rather. We must be careful that we Catholics don't view other liturgies ways of worship. And other forms of expressing Christian belief as mere variations from our Latin expression which we assume is the best. Then he says you know what the trouble is. One of the worst problems he said is on this reunion is the lack of common vocabulary. I should say so. And common categories of religious thought. Another need that will face us as we move toward reunion is to understand the church as historically developing through the centuries. He said if our educated Catholics are not conscious of the way in which the church existed in former times.
Do not see that a fair amount of the externals, fair amount of the externals. You mean holy water and candles and all that. Do not see that a fair amount of the externals of the church as we now know her are somewhat accidental. Notice that. Externals are accidental. It will be impossible for them to assess the historical problems connected with the ecumenical discussion. I wonder if they mean that with reference to the confessional. If you've ever been to Saint Peters the place is just full of confessionals. One here, there Spanish is done, Italian, French, and you name all the rest of them. Yes. Now, along comes Gerald Kennedy. Bishop Kennedy who is a liberal. Oh if there ever was one. Protestant liberal. He says from my own limited, oh he despises it. From my own limited experience, I have found that many will shout hosanna to the vision as they did with our lord you know when he came in on the so called triumphal entry. He said I’ve found many people will shout hosanna to the vision but they'll cry out crucify it when they see what it costs. Well he doesn't want to lose his bishop job. That’s one of the most unlovely aspects of the ecumenical movement. He says I'll tell you some of the problems and he mentions three. I can mention a lot more. He says what's going to be the goal of this movement. How far are you going to go? You mean you're going to have all protestant churches in one. Will that be a temptation for somebody to arrogate to himself a lot of power? There is a pressure in the national council and the world council for one organization. Now people like Gerald Kennedy are federalists as they call it. Taking it from our political terminology where you have families of churches reunited but not a union of all Protestants. Just as we have 50 sovereign states in a federal union. He says I venture the opinion that while protestant laymen are through once and for all, with a silly competition which once cursed denominational relations. There are a vast number of them who take a dim view of merging our denominations into one organization. He says number one there's the problem. What do you have as the goal? Do you want all of it together like some kind
of religious hash? Remember the fellow said the one good thing about hash, you don't have to make it, it accumulates. That’s where this [inaudible]. He said he never rated away from home because he didn't know what was in it and sure thing he never ate hash at home because he did know what was in it. But here’s what they’re trying to do religiously. Second problem is apostolic succession. Now you say oh well the romans have it. Did you know the Anglican Church has protestant; a protestant episcopal church has apostolic succession. You must have the laying on of hands of an Anglican bishop. Or you're not there. That means a lot to them, but what about other groups? And then the problem of polity. What is polity? Government. How’s the new church going to be organized? Blake and pike both were very vague. What of the infallibility of the bishop of Rome? Why that’s been a hard nut to crack. A hard pill to swallow even for a lot of Romanists. Infallibility of the pope. They ask Cushing. Cardinal Cushing, very close to the Kennedy family in Boston. They asked him if he thought that the pope was infallible. He says well I’ll let you decide. He called me cashing. Called Cushing cashing. What of, he wasn't so stupid either; the cash comes from this country. What of the infallibility of the bishop of Rome. What about eastern orthodox liturgy? You go to Bethlehem, and you'll see the Greek orthodox liturgy in the church of the nativity in Bethlehem. And it’s not like our liturgy at all. What about the episcopate. There are even groups in the Methodist church. You see the Methodists are ruled by bishops also. Just like, that’s the full name of the Methodists was Methodist episcopal. Now there was a breakaway with the Methodist protestant. Are they all going to stand for episcopate? What about Presbyterian polity. Do they want sessions? Do they want presbytery? Do they want [inaudible] does everybody want a general assembly. And then congregational independence. Some people don't want that. And then what about immersion? Well immediately that you have immersion, you're not going to have infant baptism unless you want to kill off the babies. And
then Christ’s body in the Eucharist’s. The romans say that. They say that when the priest has the
words of consecration and lifts up the host, that bread becomes literally the body of our lord and
the wine becomes literally the blood of our lord. That’s why they’ve withheld the cup from the
laity all through the pre reformation period. They’re afraid you'll spill it; you're spilling some of
the blood of Christ. It never occurred to them that you might drop some of the crumbs and there
you’ve been doing something with reference to his body. And you know the Lutherans come
very close to it. They do not have transubstantiation but they have what they call
consubstantiation that the bread remains bread and the wine remains wine, but alongside of it,
you have the actual body of the lord, and the actual blood of the lord. Consubstantiation. Because
of their doctrine in Latin. [Inaudible] that means the communication of the attributes. If his deity
has omnipresence then the humanity has omnipresence. so that in that bread, although it may be
1001 Lutheran churches, that body of Christ can be in a very real sense along with that bread
being celebrated in that Lutheran church. Are you all going to go for that? And the Trinitarian
statement in the Nicene Creed. as early as 325 AD, do you know that there's some people not in
the roman church that don't believe in that Trinitarian statement in the Nicene creed that Christ
proceeded, I mean, the holy spirit proceeded from both the father and the son. God sent the spirit
to the world. Christ sent, he says if I don't go away, I can’t send the spirit in john’s gospel. Some
of them never receive that. Says Gerald Kennedy, Bishop Kennedy, monolithic single structures
contain their own seeds of destruction. Clearly. Fairly clear that figment is not an automatic
solution to human problem. He said I would hope we might remember that unity is of the spirit.
It may exist in the midst of a variety of church form. Oh you should hear look magazine. And
you should hear how some of these others. Religion and life in America. Councils. And here in
LA times, modified Catholicism called the future religion. My, page after page after page. Listen
to Billy Graham as he talks about, he quotes the 92 Harper's Magazine in world aflame. An amazing portrait of the coming world rule. There will arise a man. He’s strong in action. A bit chromatic in manner, personally handsome, continuously victorious. All those leave me out. He will sweep aside parliaments and demigods. Carry civilizations to glory. Reconstruct them into an empire held together by circulating his profile, organizing further successes. Now this is not the election of 1976. He will codify everything. He will galvanize Christianity. Yes. Petrify it too. He will organize learning into meek academies a little man. Oh my that's rough only seminaries isn't it. And prescribe a wonderful educational system and the grateful nations will deify a lucky aggressive egotism. Think of that. You want to see the new kind of church emergence. Catholics are told to avoid for the present joint services date line Washington. Oh yes. Don’t get too chummy. Fordham University which is a catholic school in New York and the protestant run union theological seminary have agreed to exchange teachers, so what else is new. In Texas a catholic church has joined a statewide council of churches. In New York, the synagogue council reinstalled a new officer with a participation representatives from the national catholic welfare conference and the national council of churches. On March the 27th of that year, what happened? A catholic priest took charge of the regular service of the Monteith Presbyterian Church in Detroit. Us News and World Report. And the editor says what a conglomeration of nothing with catholic Jew and protestant void of all convictions. Well we can go on and on. But I do want to give you this. This is choice. Many do not know the last statement of council. The Vatican council two in what? In the third session. The third session of Vatican council two. Listen to what the pope said himself. In his closing address, Pope Paul the 6th made this statement. I’m going to read it twice. Nothing, that's nothing, that means no thing. Nothing is really changed in the doctrine of the church. What the church has taught for centuries,
that we teach also. Big changes. I'm going to repeat it. It says nothing is really changed in the doctrine of the church. What the church taught for centuries, we teach also. Now you say, do you mean to tell me that the bible has something to say about these events? Yes. Where? In the book of the revelation chapter 17 and 18. You say well I heard that before. But I’ve looked through it long and wearisomely. And I’ve never been able to find the name of the Roman Catholic Church no you won't. You won't. But you will find confusion or babel. Confusion or babel. What’s that got to do? You don't have to read the book of the revelation very far to know that names are used in that book figuratively. For instance. In the church of Thyatira, the apostle john says you have a jezebel in your church. Well historical jezebel was dead for centuries. She was the wife of Ahab. She’s a jezebel like person. We say that. I remember when we were young and somewhat feisty, one of the great fighters, Muhammad Ali. Pardon me for mentioning his name in church. But it was john l Sullivan. Fellow would get very very pugilistic. They’d say uh oh, look at the little john l Sullivan coming up. And you heard little lord Fauntleroy. Those were always fighting words. That means mother dressed with too many frills around the sleeves and so on. Or they would talk about someone who had come to be a bowl brovel [sp?], one of these heartbreakers and so on. Names are used even today figuratively. And so you find revelation. In revelation 11, he says those two witnesses, their dead bodies lie in the street of the city which spiritually, not politically governmentally. This towns name is Renton. But that’s only its governmental name. Its spiritual name is Sodom and Egypt. The name of San Francisco and New York and London and Paris and Belon [sp?], and Berlin, and Tokyo. Those are only political names. Their spiritual name is Sodom and Egypt. But if the scripture had stopped there, you would know what the literal city that he meant was. Where also their lord was crucified. The lord of those two witnesses. But we know where he was crucified. Jerusalem. Jerusalem is the name that god gave
it and intended for it. That’s the spiritual name. Oh it’s been used politically too. But deep down the character of it has been Sodom and Egypt. That which corrupts nature and that which enslaves the people of god. Look here. Look at revelation 17. And see if you do not have confusion. If you can ever lay your hand on this book that I’m going to give you, get it. No matter how much it costs you. You can only get it second hand. It was written by a sir Robert Anderson who was on he was on the staff of Scotland Yard years ago. He was a Plymouth brother. And he had such a tremendous mind that without pen or pencil or writing material paper. He could give you back a whole case that was being tried in court. That’s why the king knighted him. He had such a tremendous mind. Sir Robert Anderson. He has written a book the Buddha, B U D D H A. the Buddha of Christendom. And that will show you what a pulperie, what a conglomeration you have in Romanism. You have paganism, you have idolatry, you have parts of Judaism. That’s why they call their leaders priests. They’re not priests the way we are in New Testament sense. They still deal with the sacrifice called the mass. A spiritual crucifying of Christ every Sunday. And they have numbers of masses and so on. And I can go down the list. And it has things from the old oriental pagan religions. The old mystical religions of the near east, and even of the Far East. The mystery religions as they were called. Now look at this in revelation 17:1 to 6. There came one of the 7 angels where the 7 bowls talked with me saying enemy come here ill show unto thee the Jesuit of the great harlot that sitteth upon many waters. Who is a harlot? One who does not observe gods norms of purity and sanctity and chastity in the most important relationship in life. Namely husband and wife. With whom the king, she sits upon many waters. And waters, you're going to see shortly, indicate what? Peoples. Peoples. Now. With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication. The inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. So he carried me away in the spirit and
the wilderness I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet colored beast. Full of names of blasphemy, having 7 heads and 10 horns. She’s already reigning. And the woman was a radiant purple and scarlet cover colored. Do you know what the main official color? Sorry to say that's what we wear in our doctorates in theology and divinity. There it is, scarlet. It’s come from the roman church. Yes, been handed down. Now we don't do it for the same reason of course. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color bedecked with gold and precious stones and pearls. Do you know what one of the popes said to one of the poor followers. He said hasn't this myth about Jesus been a most rewarding one profitable one to watch. Having a golden cup in her hand, I wish you could see the Vatican library. I wish you could see the Vatican museum. There are things there that you never saw in your life. They have even been given parts of things found on the moon by the United States of America. And they have hallways that are longer than any bowling alley you ever saw. The richest church in the world. Full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication. And upon her forehead was a name written not literal, hear it now. Mystery, symbolic Babylon. The great. The mother of harlots, and the abominations of the earth. And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saint. Now with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her I wondered with great wonder. Now I am not implying that this harlot is only Rome. There all going to come together in a huge colossus. All the isms and sisms and asms and spasms. All the sects. [Inaudible] her group. And [inaudible] group. And Ellen g whites group. And the fox sisters group. And all the rest of them. And all the pagan religions. They’re all going to be. Because these chapter say that in her were found every foul beast and every foul bird. What a nesting place. Now he talks about her spiritual filth and corruption. But look at 18 shows that there are tentacles of this church throughout the world. And it is clear. I don't have it with me this evening. I thought I did. But I didn't bring it. It’s in the Hamilton Ontario globe. I
have a copy. I don't know how they ever got it into that paper. How they ever allowed it there. But it tells about the wealth of the Vatican. It said when Queen Elizabeth the 2nd visited the Vatican state; she was not just visiting a state of so many acres. But the richest economy in the world. Do you know it's because they play the stock market that it often goes so vacillatey. They have agents that the house of Rothschild this article shows would love. In the form of cardinals and bishops and archbishops and the like. Yes. And they have banks of their own. They have one called the banco sancto spirito. Do you know what that means? And I often pointed it out when I’m guiding them through Rome. The frontery of it. The blasphemy of it. They call that the bank of the Holy Spirit. And they own telephone companies. All of them there. And the credit Centrale. The central credit. And they own the water company. Why they could take out meter and shut off the water any time they want. What a system. What a degenerate thing it became. And do you notice, do you notice that here the apostle john is looking at him and he says I wondered with great wonder. When I saw her I wondered with great wonder. Why was he wondering it this [inaudible]. That the church that he knew in his day could become so unutterably corrupt. Yes. My god keep us from it. And keep us with our word open and our hearts alert to what's going on. Our father, in the quiet of this moment, we pray that we may not be ensnared with ostentation displayed and parades and finery and wealth untolled. And many many mass demonstrations. Lord, may we realize that thy truth is in simplicity. The simpler a worship is, the truer it is. In our hearts be fixed on Christ alone. We pray in his name, amen. Alright there've been some questions handed in. many of you need to leave feel free. Just smile as you leave so we know you're not angry. And then we will take some of these questions very hurriedly. I think we tool practically all of them, but a couple of them last night. May we go on with them pastor or should we do this for the next. Let’s go on for about 10 minutes. That will be
ample. I think some of these we can’t answer very briefly. Here is one somewhat about Italy. And it says do you feel that the recent activity, I assume that this person that's asking it means the amount of inroads that the communists have made. As part of the people, voting communist is a fulfillment of prophecy of course. Of course. It shows the tremendous power that the communist system is having. Now it doesn't mean necessarily Russia. It does mean them but not them exclusively. Because you have china. And you have Cuba. And you have Albania. Do you think the pope will move the Vatican, and where? What’s he going to move the Vatican for? He’s got enough power as it is. Do you know why the situation in Jerusalem cannot be settled? He sees to it. Every so often, he makes a senseless statement about guarding the sacred places. And I was over there when Jerusalem was divided in the late 50s. And I have been there since. Just there in June. And the sacred places. Muslim and Christian, protestant or catholic, and Jewish have never been so safeguarded as they are now. They have signs in 3 languages. In Arabic, that’s for the Muslims, in Hebrew for the Jewish holy places, and in English for others. What nationality will the antichrist be according to the scriptures? Well some think that he's going to be of Rome. Others think that in view of revelation 13, he will be of Israel. And I’ve heard even a third view that he will actually be a gentile and will be a faker who will claim to be Jewish. My own opinion is, and you can take it for what you want, is that he will be of Israel because he will claim to be their messiah. And they would not accept a messiah but of their own nation. They’ve had 64 false messiahs and everyone has been of Israel. I answered this other one is it possible for the rapture to occur at this time? Yes any time. Specifically concerning Isaiah 19. Let’s look and see what this is. Isaiah 19:23 and 24. I think this is the only other one. Oh yeah there was one there about, I'd like to know my story. Well, you'd have to have to have an extra hour which we don't have. You know when people begin talking about themselves, they get
lost. Isaiah 19. So I try to avoid talking about myself. Isaiah 19:23 and 24. In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria and the Assyrians shall come into Egypt. And the Egyptian into Assyria. And do you know, people thought that those names in the bible watch this, were names which represented nations now. Like Egypt might mean Great Britain and Assyria might mean France. No. we know Egypt is still there. And we know that Assyria is still there under Mesopotamia or Iraq. And the Egyptians will [inaudible] with the Assyrians. In that day, you know where the answer to your question is my dear friend whoever wrote it? You know where it is? In that phrase, prepositional phrase in that day. In that day. Verse 24. In that day shall this will be the third with Egypt with Assyria even of blessing in the midst of the land. Verse 25. Whom lord of hosts shall bless saying blessed be Egypt. My people and Assyria the work of my hands and Israel might inherit. That does not look as though that's going to happen in a hurry does it. That’s when Christ rules. That’s what he rules. Egypt, Assyria, and Israel. That’s a long way off on my distance we'll tell you right now. Do you know they've had over. They’ve had over a couple score cease fires in Lebanon. Did you hear today they're at it again? And through the night, although there's no declared war, there were over 240 people killed. What’s the difference whether you call it a declared war or not? People die, there's something happening. Alright, we are dismissed. The lord bless you, and the service tomorrow will begin at 7. Do you have any other announcements brother? The lord bless you.