Brazil SotP 2019 Notes:

27. 10 Virgins (Part 3) (29-01-19)

Matt 24 - 30 = sign of the Son of Man as He comes in the clouds. vs. 31 talks about His angels gathering His people called the elect.

29 = "After the tribulation of those days"

32 = No we switch from a story of prophetic events to a parable. So you know the prophecy has ended in vs. 31

Why would Christ say "here's a parable?" Why do we need to learn this parable? What is it supposed to be teaching us?

(S) Our time of the end?

It doesn't talk about us or about the time of the end. Think about the words of the parable and what its purpose. The reason why I'm saying that is in this movement we take vs 32 and it becomes a study - "The Budding Trees of Spring." We take this parable and a SoP phrase and develop a logic that this parable is telling us of our own history. Why do we need to learn this parable?

(S) In vs 29 He is changing dispensation, and now he wants to illustrate what He has said before.

So you are saying that the prophecy was finished in vs 31 and the parable was vs 29 to 31. You said that you saw in somewhere else that summer = harvest. In this passage vs 31 shows the gathering of the elect (the prophecy) and then we have a parable. (S) Students disagrees

Give me vs. numbers. Vs. 32 is what? The parable is an explanation of something.



Parables = Trees Noah Field

What histories are these parables comparing or discussing? (S) The last days

These parables are talking about the same thing - they discuss the coming of the Son of Man. The 2 people in the field, Noah, the field, and the robber. You see all of these in vs. 31. I'm trying to get us to see how to approach a chapter that we don't understand.

What you're not doing is that very thing. You are saying that you don't know what these things are, so are trying to read it in the verse. You would come to the answer in a much easier way if you identified the structure of the chapter. Would Christ deliberately make it hard for the disciples? No... He would try to answer the question. So He gives these parables and wouldn't He try to explain it in some kind of systematic and logical fashion? I think you would. The purpose of the parable is to help, not to hinder. And if you're giving me all these parables and mixing them in different places how is that going to help me? I should know intuitively what it is talking about otherwise it doesn't serve the purpose. (39:21 minutes)

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When the third angel's message is preached as it should be, power attends its proclamation, and it becomes an abiding influence. It must be attended with divine power, or it will accomplish nothing. I am often referred to the parable of the ten virgins, five of whom were wise, and five foolish. This parable has been and will be fulfilled to the very letter, for it has a special application to this time, and, like the third angel's message, has been fulfilled and will continue to be present truth till the close of time. In the parable, the ten virgins had lamps, but only five of them had the saving oil with which to keep their lamps burning. This represents the condition of the Church. The wise and the foolish have their Bibles, and are provided with all the means of grace; but many do not appreciate the fact that they must have the heavenly unction. They do not heed the invitation, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." {RH, August 19, 1890 par. 3

The normal way that we approach this ch. is by saying that Millerite history are a repeat and enlarge, but I'm saying that it was fulfilled and will be fulfilled.

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What I think we do often is that we read into inspiration our pre-conceived ideas. When you do that I think that you can start getting into problems because you can assume the author means something when they may have never meant that. If you were going to make it 2 separate and distinct histories that are a repeat and enlarge, what are you assuming that the author knows? (Notes end at 1:01:23)