

THE WOLF ALSO SHALL DWELL WITH THE LAMB

Isaiah 11:6-9

Isaiah 11:6-9 is part of a prophecy of the Lord's coming. It is full of images that seem impossible on this earth. Read the prophecy and then list or sketch those images.

Do you think such things could ever occur on this earth? Why or why not?

What do you think the Lord is describing in these verses?

The Writings tell us that these words are referring to heaven, where innocence and peace are always present. The words are also referring to the state of the church after the Lord came into the world. At its very beginnings the Christian Church was to be innocent and peaceful. However, we know from history that the early Christians did not have a peaceful worldly existence. The prophecy is describing something spiritual. How do you think a church or a person could have spiritual peace in a non-peaceful world?

These verses in this quotation are also telling us that when a person is in innocence and peace, evil things can't hurt them. How do images like a wolf dwelling with a lamb illustrate this?

Why do you think a person in innocence and peace cannot be harmed by evil? Remember that innocence is a willingness to be led by the Lord.

Can you think of other images that would give the same message as the one in this prophecy?