

- III. The Question of Proof.. (I have repeated the heading from page 4 which I should not have given and if I were not so lazy would now remove... but...)
- A. Proving a thing is one thing. If we mean by proof a compulsion that others cannot defy, then we can prove nothing! If we mean by "proof" the offering of sufficient evidence to sustain a proposition, then we can "prove" a good bit. But if a listener does not concur with the opinion given, probably nothing is proved. So let us say that we cannot prove in the absolute but can offer plenty of evidence in the relative.
 - B. Why, then, are there disagreements? Probably for the same reasons there are Democrats and Republicans. You can figure that out for yourself.
 - C. Is it worthwhile debating issues like this? It is certainly worthwhile gathering and expressing the Scriptural evidence. It is profitable to discuss for the strengthening of some Christians and the challenging of other persons. Unless you have a special gift from God it is not likely to be worth a life's career.
 - D. But study the Bible seriously. Read books about it and the subjects in it as well. The better we know what the biblical representation is the better our appreciation for the faith should be.